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Aloni slams Meretz colleagues, future plans a mystery SARAH HONIG

COMMUNICATIONS Minister Shulamit Aloni refused to tell her party colleagues last night whether or not she would be running against them in the npcoming elections

Aloni delivered a carping, acerbic speech at a tense meeting of the Citizens Rights Movement council in Ramat Efal. The CRM, which Aloui founded in 1973, is Meretz's central component party.

In her address, Aloni settled many long emotional and personal accounts, but the bottom line with

70 wounded in Ethiopian immigrant demo

BILL HUTMAN and BATSHEVA TSUR

THOUSANDS of Ethiopian immigrants clashed with police outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday, in one of the most violent demonstrations Jerusalem has seen in recent years. More than 70 people were hurt.

Police used tear gas, rubber bullets, and stun grenades to break up the protest. One demonstrator was seriously wounded, after apparently being clubbed in the head by a policeman. A policeman was wounded in the eye by a stone.

The other wounded were reported suffering from only minor injuries, mostly tear gas inhalation. About half the wounded were policemen. Five demonstrators were detained, but released by the end of the day-long protest.

"Today the anger, built up from all the years of being lied to and expected to remain quiet, is being expressed," said Addisu Messala, head of the Unified Ethiopian Ethiopian Immigrants'

Organization. The protest was sparked by last week's revelation that the country's blood banks discard most blood donated by Ethiopian immigrants, because members of this community are 50 times more likely to be HIV carriers than other Israelis.

Protesters threw stones and botties, beat policemen with umbrellas, and vandalized parked cars.

At one point, the stone- and bottle-throwing forced many policemen to run for cover inside the Prime Minister's Office compound, as did the tear gas that turned on them with the wind. "Look how we're being treated

today. Would the police use tear sion of inquiry to look into the : immigrants' complaints..

gas against other groups? Only against us they think it's all right to use tear gas," Messala said. Prime Minister Shimon Peres agreed to meet with Messala and other community leaders during a lull in the protest, and accepted their demand to set up a commis-

Peres also issued an apology on behalf of the entire government for the slight to the community

caused by the blood policy. But be also criticized the immigrants for the violence displayed during the demonstration.

The meeting was attended by Absorption Minister Yair Tzaban. Health Minister Ephraim Sneh, Internal Security Minister Moshe Shahal, Chief of General Staff Lt-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak, and Police Insp.-Gen. Assaf Hefetz, as well as members of the Ethiopian community, led

believe I finally know what it

feels like to be a settler. I now

the police not care at all.

immigrants'

know what it feels like to have my car window

shattered and my head narrowly missed by a

potentially lethal rock - and how it feels to have

demonstration, I suddenly heard a loud crash, and

the inside of my car was covered with shattered

glass. The window above the left rear door was

completely gone, taken ont by a rock bigger than

my two fists. I was shaken by the knowledge that

None of the dozens of policemen at the scene

At 3:20 p.m., I was on my way to the Supreme Court, as I am every day at about that time. As I drove down Rehov Ruppin past the

Ethiopian

blood. But Peres was clearly not

blood. But Peres was clearly not going to give in, an observer said. Jerusalem police chief Cmdr. Arye Amit said police used tear gas when they believed there was a danger of the protesters break-ing into the Prime Minister's Office. Police later also admitted tousing rubber ballets and stun. grenades

"The protesters were completely out of control," Amit said. "It was like the intifada all over again."

Hefetz said many policemen : were injured because they dem-onstrated restraint. "We should have been tougher," Israel Radio quoted him as saying. The Prime Minister's Office, a

ed by a fence, was under siege for most of the day by a crowd of demonstrators police estimated at between 8,000 and 10,000.

Border policemen stood atop the building and a police helicopter flew over the crowd. A water cannon and mounted policemen quickly proved useless in breaking up the protest.

Stop the racism against black Jews," and "We are not viruses; we are black humans," were among the signs held by the protesters.

"I want the blood I donated over the last three years back," said Gideon Getahn, 25, of Karmiel. Getahu carried a club, that he said he would use to defend himself against police.

Another protester, his face covered with an Ethiopian flag, chanted: "Stop the racism," as he marched around holding a Magen David Adom blood donor's card in his hand.

In Washington, the Anti-Defamation League called on the government to exhibit sensitivity in dealing with the Ethiopian community.

We understand the problem (Continued on Page 2)



that she would not run for Knesse on the Meretz ticket or fight to retain the party's leadership.

However, Aloni did not promise to support Meretz in the upcoming campaign or say she would be quitting politics for good. Thus, she left open the possibility that she might set up a rival list.

The meeting was the first CRM forum in a long time that was attended by both Aloni and her rival, Environment Minister Yossi Sarid. On previous occasions both made sure not to be in the room together at the same time.

While she clearly aimed many of her barbs at Sarid, Aloni carefully refrained from mentioning him by name

But Aloni did say that she "no longer felt comfortable or welcome" in the party she founded because of the "evil and tormenting people I found there, people in whose company I could not sit."

Aloni complained about "those in Meretz who went to the press and called me stupid, who said I don't function any more and who argued that I am only of value to the opposition. They made me look like someone who is ludicrous and a chatterbox."

But despite all that, Aloni contended, her "ideology was and re-mains the ideology of Meretz. I never deviated from the Meretz way and yet I found myself all alone, isolated and abandoned." She repeated her insistence that Meretz had forsaken the cause of avi rights.

The argument that these had to be sacrificed for peace does not bold water. We sacrifiered so much for the cause of peace and it would (Continued on Page 2)

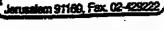
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AN Amhanic proverb says that "a large stomach can contain almost the entire world."

But, said Micha Feldman, an expert on Ethiopian Jewry, "there is no room in an Ethiopian stomach for wounded pride. There is no Amharic equivalent for TII swallow my pride." At that point, the stomach bursts."

The experts agree: It was the insult to the community that brought out the pent-up anger that turned to rage.

Blood is symbolic. An insult to their blood is an insult to the community's identity," said Hebrew University anthropologist Dr. Shalva Weill. "It goes beyond AIDS. It's their physical identity which is being violated." "The insult over the blood

ISRAEL and Syria made some

progress on normalization and

economic matters in their last

round of talks in Maryland, but

there was no breakthrough,

Prime Minister Shimon Peres

The talks resume today after a

Yesterday, US Middle East

peace coordinator Dennis Ross

with the Israeli and Syrian

delegation heads, Foreign

Ministry Director-General Uri

Savir and Ambassador Walid

Mnalem. No specific information on the session was

"There is progress. It is still

"It is correct that on the issue

not a breakthrough. We have

not solved all the problems. It's

always a matter of definition,"

Peres told Channel 1.

begun." He refused to elaborate.

said yesterday.

weekend break.

available.

BACKGROUND

BATSHEVA TSUR

The insult was too much to bear

brought blood to the peoples' heads," said Feldman, who brought the immigrants here as an emissary and today oversees the integration of Ethiopian olim on behalf of the Interior Ministry. "For an Ethiopian, respect for him is cardinal. When Prime Minister. Shimon Peres apologized, he hit the nail on the head. He helped to restore the loss in honor felt by the community.

"I hope the rest of the Israeli public will realize how sensitive the community is and how it was hurt, so that we can continue to build this fine fabric of integration

between two societies which are AFTER driving past the such world's apart." Feldman said this is the second demonstration yesterday, I

time the Ethiopian community has resorted to violence. In the early summer, stones were thrown at a demonstration in Be'erotayim.

"Some of the youths are more Israeli than Ethiopian when it comes to being gentle," he noted. Weill agreed that youths took a

central part in yesterday's demonstration. "The youths are highly motivated. It's more important for them to be part of Israeli society, to be accepted, than it is to get jobs or houses."

She believes the future is not had the rock hit six inches farther forward, clear - "it could go any way." But my head might have looked like my window what is clear is that the community does. demonstrated its unity, its strength -and its electoral power. appeared to notice. A civilian who was standing

by Messala, and several kessim,

the meeting's atmosphere was re-

portedly cordial. There were mo-

ments of tension, however, as the

community members demanded

that Peres fire Sneh, saying he

was responsible for authorizing the order to discard Ethiopian

Six more inches and I could be dead'

Despite the violence outside,



hurt, and, when I said no, told me that I should get out of there. Instead, I tried to report the incident to a policeman on

nearby came over to see if I was

the spot, hoping that with prompt action, the perpetrator could be caught.

After three different policemen simply yelled at me and told me to go complain at headquarters in the Russian Compound, however, I gave up. I went to the Russian Compound, where a bored policeman was recording numerous similar complaints. In the five minutes it took me to fill out my form, three other people entered to complain of similar damage from the demonstrators.

All the complaints will no donbt be entered into some file to satisfy the bureaucracy. With the policemen at the site uninterested in searching for the perpetrators, however, it seems unlikely that they will ever be found. Apparently, the police don't care until blood is shed.

IT COULD HAPPEN

Peres: Progress made in talks with Syria, but no breakthrough

BATSHEVA TSUR and news agencies

US are to hold elections in the fall - and the work ahead long. "I am a partner [to the idea] that there is a contradiction between the shortness of time and the seriousness and depth of

the problems," Peres said. Because of the wide gaps between the sides, the met at his home for seven hours government is holding out little hope for real progress during Secretary of State Warren Christopher's visit to the region next week.

In Washington, it is already accepted that if there is no real progress in the next few weeks, the talks will be put on the back burner. But contacts, if not negotiations, between the sides will be maintained until after the US and Israeli elections, to prevent any regression from

of normalization there is progress, on the economics what has already been achieved. At yesterday's eabinet issue there is progress," he said. meeting, the ministers heard the "On the issue of security second part of a report from the arrangements, talks have IDF Intelligence Branch. No information was relayed to the media about its contents.

But he said time was short -Peres is said to have rebuked given that both Israel and the

Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak for expressing pessimism over the chances of reaching an

agreement with Syria this year. According to Israel Radio, Peres said the IDF had also expected the agreement with Jordan to take a long time and had been surprised at how quickly the accord was reached. The threat of Iranian nonconventional arms was also

reportedly discussed. Meanwhile, former OC Intelligence Uri Saguy told a gathering of the Council for Peace and Security that "in

peace we will have to give up the Golan Heights. There will not be peace without a full withdrawal from the Golan Heights. "Israel is holding a pathetic

debate with the Syrians over the difference between the July 4, 1967 border and the international border," he said, adding that this argument indicates that the end result will be a full withdrawal from the Golan Heights. Saguy also said that the peace

with Syria will be no warmer than the peace with Egypt.

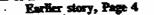
Police detain shooting suspect John du Pont

NEWTOWN SQUARE, Penn. (Reuter) - Millionaire John du Pout, suspected by police of killing Olympic wrestling gold medalist David Schultz, has been detained by police, local officials said yesterday.

"They got him," said Delaware County emergency spokesman Bill Lovejoy. "It's over and he is alive." A Renters photographer said Du Pont was brought to a local police station by a heavily-armed rapid response team.

Du Pont is alleged to have shot dead Schultz, who won a gold medal at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics in the freestyle 74 kg. class.

Schultz lived with his wife and family in a house on the grounds of Du Pont's 800-acre estate.



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NEWS

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Netanyahu aims to adapt party line to Oslo reality

SARAH HONIG

THE Likud central committee will soon take up chairman Binyamin Netanyahu's policy proposals, which he bills as "a clear, unambiguous alternative to the line pursued by the government."

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Netanyahu said yesterday that deliberations are currently under way toward formulating this alternative. "What is planned is updating the platform," he said, while denying there is any thought to "an ideological rethinking. Our ideological beliefs are as unshakable as ever, and the issues have nothing to do with ideological steadfastness.

It is believed that Netanyahu h will make a tactical move to take consideration changes

already implemented under the Oslo accords, while concentrating on how to prevent future conces-While there is consensus within the party on the need to halt the continuation of the present process, there are differences of opinion about what to do about h

what has already been done. A large group, led hy former prime minister Yitzhak Shamir and MK Ze'ev Begin, refuses to reconcile itself to the facts created by the Labor government in the past two

However, Netanyahu is likely to obtain a majority for his positions.

"The task clearly before us now is to preempt the establishment of a Palestinian state," Netanyahu said. 'If Labor wins the coming

elections, it is a certainty that the Palestinian state will come into the world, that israel will cede every inch of the Golan, retreat to the shores of Lake Kinneret, and that Jerusalem will be divided. If the Likud is elected, there will be no Palestinian state and the autonomy will be contained, the Golan will remain in Israel's, hands and Jerusalem in its entirety will be Israel's capital.

"We are willing to talk to the Palestinians, as we talk to any to Arafat.

Arabs, but we demand of any interlocutor that he fully accept Israel's right to exist. Of all I bave seen thus far, the Palestinian Authority and [Yasser] Arafat

have a long way to go. If the Palestnians do not convince us that they are a real partner for peace, and they don't seem intent on doing so, then they can-not be treated as a parmer for peace.

But Netanyahu said he will "not send the army to reoccupy cities handed over to the PLO, though in Jerusalem I will close down the Orient House and all other PLO institutions and will see to it that no more territory is handed over

High Court: Netanyahu's revealing secret data protected by immunity

LIKUD chairman Binyamin Netanyahu should not be investigated for revealing a classified document to the Knesset, because the act was protected by his substantive immunity as an MK, the High Court of Justice ruled yesterday.

However, the court gave Attorney-General Michael Attomey-General BenYair 45 days to justify his refusal to investigate other possi-ble suspects in the affair, such as the person who gave the docu-ment to Netanyahu.

The ruling was issued in response to two peritions, hy MK Ran Cohen (Meretz) and Labor Party activist Shmuel Cohen. The petitions were filed in response to a Knesset debate on a no-confidence motion last June. Netanyahu, who presented the motion for the Likud, told the plenum that the government had retreated from three principles in its negotiations with Syria that it had previously said were absolute conditions for an agreement,

EVELYN GORDON

These principles were an unequal withdrawal of Israeli and ty as an MK. -Syrian forces away from the Golan, a continued IDF presence on Mouni Hermon, and no foreign troops on the Golan.

Netanyahu added that he bad a document proving that these were the government's instructions to the chief of general staff, then on his way to Washington for a meeting with his Syrian counterpart. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. three of the tests.

who responded for the government, charged that Netanyahu's document was a "bluff," and said the Likud leader had probably written it himself.

In response to this charge, Netanyahu began quoting the relevant passages from the document

The petitioners charged that Netanyahu had committed a criminal act hy revealing the contents of a classified document. Ben-Yair replied that this might be so.

directly relevant to the subject of the motion.

Barak himself has proposed a much more difficult test: The hut the act was protected by Netanyahu's substantive immunicrime must be "part of the natural Justices Aharon Barak, Theodor Orr, and risk to which any MK is subject." Yitzhak Zamir agreed with Ben-This, Barak explained, means that Yair. In his verdict, Barak noted an MK cannot openly and prethat the court has produced three meditatedly violate the law, even for the sake of doing his job. However, be should be protected conflicting opinions as to the proper test of whether substantive immunity applies. However, he said, Netanyahu's action meets all if, in the heat of a debate, he accidentally goes beyond what would normally be permitted and commits, for example, libel or crimi-Former chief justice Meir Shamgar, Barak noted, said the nal incitement. Otherwise, MKs test was whether the alleged crime would be afraid to speak for fear

was committed "as an integral part of [the MK's] legitimate that they might cross the border into illegal speech. Thus, under Barak's test. Netanyahu would not have been activity," whereas Justice Eliezer Goldberg said the test was protected had he quoted from the whether the crime was "relevant document during his prepared opening speech, However, Barak to performance of [the MK's] joh." It is clear that Netanyahu's action meets both these tests, said, he cannot be held liable for quoting the document as a sponta-Barak continued, since justifying neous response to Peres. a no-confidence motion is certainly an integral part of an MK's job, and the classified information was Netanyahu expressed satisfaction at the court's decision.

Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat confers with King Hussein in Amman yesterday. Hussein reaffirmed Jordan's support for Arafat's quest for an independent Palestinian state with east Jerusalem as its capital.

PA frees Hamas activists

THE Palestinian Authority has released between 10 and 16 Hamas activists as a prelude to new negotiations on conciliation and drafting a law governing municipal elections expected in May.

The elections, in which Hamas plans to compete, will elect municipal authorities across the areas governed hy the PA.

On Friday, two Hamas leaders, Mohammed Shama and Dr. Mahmoud Zahar, met with PA Chairman Yasser Arafat, Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen), Jamil Sourani, and Salim Zaanoun, acting speaker of the Palestinian National Council. The group decided to form

Hamas has demanded 40 percent of the seats, considerably more than its actual political strength. Arafat met with members of the PNC in Jordan Saturday to persuade them to return for a crucial session on changing the covenant. Most of the Hamas detainees

released this weekend were junior activists, except for Ahmed Ninir, an imam from Khan Yunis who was arrested three months ago. after he preached a sermon attacking the PA and Hamas leaders who favored negotiations with the PA. other meeting a two Hamas leaders and Sayed Abu Musameh met with a PA security team including Preventive Security chief Mohammed Dahlan, military intelligence chief Musa Arafat. Gaza police chief Brig. Ghazi Jabali, North Gaza commander Brig. Sach Ajez, and PA secretary Tayeb Abdel-Raheem. After the Friday meeting, Yasser Arafat, gratified that Hamas did

not disrupt the Palestinian Council elections, granted Hamas a license to open a new newspaper. The existing Hamas newspaper, Al-Watan, folded when its chief editor Imad Falouji broke ranks with Hamas and ran for a seat on the council with the Fatah list in North Gaza.

Falouji did not win a seat, but election results in North Gaza have not been finalized because of disputes concerning the counting of votes in two polling stations in Jabalya refugee camp. The polling in these two stations was repeated and the results are expected this

the security zone recently and a battle and exemplary duty in their specific fields. Hizbullah, at corresponding increase in those against the South Lebanese Army, OC Northern Command specific fields. the moment, is trying to hit the SLA more and a bit less the IDF. Maj. Gen Amiram Levine said But it [Hizbullah] has sufficient Levine noted, however, that this levels of freedom to cooperate was not preventing the extremist

DAVID RUDGE

standing soldiers, for bravery in with other organizations and push them against the IDF. and it is

Levine: Hizbullah attacks drop slightly

way that would escalate fighting in the region. The award ceremony yesterday: followed weekend fighting in the zone in which four Palestinian gunmen from Ahmed Jibril's PFLP-General Command were killed by IDF troops. The gunmen had apparently

security zone yesterday. Reports from Lebanon said there were heavy exchanges between IDF and SLA gunners and gunmen in the Ali Tahr hill region in the east-

ern sector of the zone. In the evening there were reports of one or more heavy explosions close to the border, in the Upper Galilee region, although there was no confirmaJON IMMANUEL

Shi'ite organization from cooperating with other organizations and helping them to carry out attacks against IDF targets.

THERE has been a slight drop in

Hizbullah's attacks on the IDF in

yesterday.

He spoke to reporters during a presentation ceremony at Northern Command headquarters of certificates of merit to out-

doing this." said Levine. He said Hizbullah was continuing to fire at IDF and SLA targets from inside villages north of the

security zone. He said the IDF would act appropriately hut would not be drawn into responding in a

NEWS IN BRIEF

Banned Brooklyn rabbi suing government

Abraham Hecht, the renegade Brooklyn rahbi banned from entering Israel, reportedly is planning a multi-million-dollar lawsuit against the government and several Israeli officials for defamation. Interior Minister Haim Ramon, who is one of the officials named, last * month issued an order barring seven Americans involved in extreme right-wing activities from Israel. Hecht, the long-time rabbi of the Syrian community of Brooklyn, generated a fire storm last June when he implied it would be acceptable to kill the prime minister. He is currently on suspension from his congregation and is expected to be retired. Jerusalem Post Staff

President of Albania arrives today

President Sali Berisha of Alhania arrives loday for a three-day visit. After being welcomed hy President Ezer Weizman, Berisha will meet Prime Minister Shimon Peres. Jerusalem Post Staff

CORRECTION

Ivan Shiran recounted his experiences in the Beit Lid article which appeared on Friday and not as published.

We deeply mourn the passing of our very dear friend

EZRA CATTAN 71

(New York)

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Benefactor of Mevaseret Zion Educational Center

We express our condolences to the entire Cattan family. Members of the Mevaseret Zion community may pay their respects to the deceased and his family, as the proccession ses Mevaseret Zion Educational Center, 50 Rehov Ha'oren, Mevaseret, at approximately 8:00 a.m. today. The funeral will leave Yeshiva Shuvi Nefesh in Mea Shearim at 1:00 p.m., and will proceed to the cemetery in Sanhedria.

> Directors, Staff, and Students of Kiryat Hinuch, Mevaseret Zion - Kol Mevaser

ARIEL PETER ARAN

Ambassador of Israel

passed away on Saturday, January 27, 1996.

The Family

intended to carry out a lethal closerange operation against IDF and SLA troops in the zone. Maps and documents found on their bodies indicated that the target area had been Marjayoun.

TWO people were killed and and

Suwafini Ghaniya, 20, of Deir

Hanna in the Galilee, was killed

and two others seriously injured

when their car overturned on a

curve near the turnoff to Turan in

the Galifee early yesterday morn-

Lester Leslie. 81, of Netanya,

was killed when he was struck by

a car while crossing the street at a

crosswalk. Police said the driver,

who was speeding, had his license

Seven people were injured,

three moderately and four lightly.

in an accident at the Nahshon

junction, between Beit Shemesh

ALONI

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have all been the same without

Despite her embittered, reprov-

ing tone, her speech received a

Later in the meeting, Sarid. in

his address. strongly disagreed

with Aloni about the party's civil

rights record, citing a long list of

legislation he claimed Meretz ini-

in Meretz, and to continue to sup-

port the party. He even shook her

hand, an unusual gesture, given

the state of their relationship in

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and the need to deal carefully with

blood donations of Ethiopian

lews, but these problems can be

bandled with more sensitivity," the

Most major US television sta-

The Ethiopian hlood affair will

be discussed in several different

Knesset forums this week. The

Labor faction is dedicating its

weekly meeting to the subject

tions broadcast items on the

organization said in a statement.

He called on Aloni to stay active

these sacrifices," she said.

standing ovation.

tiated in this Knesset.

recent months.

demonstration.

Liat Collins adds;

revoked for 90 days.

nine injured in road accidents yes-

terday.

Fighting continued inside the

Two killed, 9 hurt on roads

DAVID RUDGE AND Itim

and Ramle.

Saturday night.

ple lightly hurt.

tion that anything fell inside Israeli territory. The army spokesman said it

appeared the blasts were from mortar rounds which had been fired at IDF and SLA positions inside the zone.

Meanwhile, police are appealing

for witnesses to an accident on the

Coastal Road near the southern

entrance to Haifa at around 8 on

Police said a furniture truck

car to take evasive action. The car

overturned and a woman was seri-

ously injured and three other peo-

said there was a sign in Hebrew on the truck reading "We are on the way to another satisfied customer."

Anyone who witnessed the acci-

dent or has since seen the truck is

asked to contact the nearest police

The truck did not stop. Police

two committees, one to draft the election bill, and the other to follow up December's Cairo talks which ended without agreement on issues such as the stance Hamas would take concerning the "armed struggle" against Israel. Zaanoun's presence sparked rumors that the PA might try to

offer Hamas a place in the 465member PNC. In the past

Hamas was also authorized to open a media bureau, which will include the newspaper and a

spokesman's office. Renters, meanwhile, reported that the Palestinian Police identified the man who was killed yesterday when a bomb he was making exploded prematurely as Hamas member Ahmed Salem Abn Seif.

Suspects allegedly held without charges in Bethlehem jail

swerved out of its lane, causing a A MAN arrested two weeks ago has been held in a damp Bethlebem cell the size of a bed and beaten up while the Palestinian Police keeps changing the charges against him, his family said.

In another case, it was claimed that a man called Ala Aza was held upside down from a ceiling in Bethlehem jail and beaten. He was released after two days;

These cases came to light Saturday during a meeting of families of the arrested men, human rights lawyers and elected Bethlehem district members of the new Palestinian Council.

Salah Taamari, an elected council member was quoted as saying. "These things must not be done to our people. This abuse of power is the result of many years of occupation."

Up to 10 men have been arrested, subjected to various beatings and released, all except for Nael with the enemy by Ornan, the first Hitmas, 22, said sources, who said Gulf state to undertake such a they believed Israel was behind the orders to arrest him.

Hitmas was arrested on January 16 after police claimed he was involved in the shooting of an Israeli near Rachel's Tomb. When they came to his home to arrest. him they found only his father, brother and two friends. So they arrested them until Hitmas gave himself up. He has not been formally charged.

serious wrong to a valuable community.'

Porat asking her to investigate the

matter. The subject is also expected

to be raised in the plenum.

Emanuel Zissman (Labor), chairman of the Immigration and Absorption Committee, said the committee would act to prevent the recurrence of such discrimination. Community leaders bave been invited to the committee meeting. Education Committee chairwoman Dalia Itzik (Labor) sent a letter to State Comptroller Miriam Ben-

JON IMMANUEL

yard this weekend at Bethlehem's former army headquarters which now serve the Palestinian Police, "His cell is 70 cm. hy two meters. He was beaten during the said he appeared to have a swollen face, and was unkempt and first few days, but his health is unshaven. He also seemed unable better now," his father, Ahmed, to focus in daylight, as though he had spent long periods in the dark,

Lon

said yesterday. But others who saw him in the



capitulationist step, is yet another disaster to beset the Arab nation." Libyan radio said in a commentary monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC).

Aloni later commented that she "Oman's signing of this agree-ment is part of the appalling con-cessions made by some Arabs on would "think about what he said." Sarid is expected to succeed Aloni as Meretz's leader, amid the path of surrender to the enemy charges hy Aloni that he bas undermined her. of the Arab nation," the state-run radio said.

> today and the Immigration and Absorption Committee is holding a special session to review it.

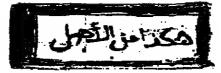
RIOT

There can be no doubt that a terrible wrong has been done the Ethiopian Jewish community, which has proved its Zionism beyond question and made an important contribution to the state," said Labor faction chair-man Ra'anan Cohen. "The Knesset cannot just ignore such a



station Libya attacks Oman over ties with Israel

CAIRO (Reuter) – Libya attacked Oman yesterday for signing an agreement on establishing commercial interest sections with Israel, saying it was "disastrous" for the Arab world. "The signing of this agreement



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Amir doing a better job than his lawyers COMMENT

RAINE MARCUS

YIGAL Amir, a former law student, did a far better job representing himself than either of his lawyers at his trial yesterday.

Admonishing attorney Jonathan Ray Goldberg several times and scorning his knowledge of Israeli law, Judge Edmond Levy again intervened during proceedings and not only allowed, but also directed Amir to defend himself.

When Goldberg realized that he was totally inprepared, he told Judge Levy that he would need a team of lawyers.

Levy said he would do his best to appoint an additional lawyer, and would even assist in finding one. By law, the court is obliged to appoint a lawyer for a defendant facing a minimum 10-year prison sentence.

While Goldberg's idea of crossexamining prosecution witnesses consisted of banal technical questions, Amir was far more sophisticated and to the point.

When Dep.-Cmdr. Avi Cohen told the court he was certain that Amir used the word "murder," the defendant said: "I don't want to doubt your credibility, but I used the word 'manslanghter.' "

"I used the word 'injure'; you used the word, 'murder,' '' replied Cohen.

While cross-examining Ch.-Supt. Motti Naftali, Amir asked him if he seemed like a "hunstic murderer.'

"He seemed like a cold fish," Naftali told the court.

Amir has chosen his own line of defense: He did not mean to murder Rabin.



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der Rabin.

MONEY from the US intended to help fund Yigal Amir's defense is being blocked by the government here, Amir's lawyer, Jonathan Ray Goldherg, told Tel Aviv District Court yesterday. As during previous hearings,

Goldberg succeeded in incurring the wrath of Judge Edmond Levy for his apparent inability to de-fend his client.

"I have spent sleepless nights going over the evidence," shouted Levy. "I don't understand why you

are not well-versed in the evidence.' However, after much badger-

ing, Levy agreed to consider financing expert defense witnesses, as long as Goldberg filed a formal

Scores of other objections raised during the hearing were repeatedly turned down by Levy, who eventually lost his patience and suggested that Goldberg be tried by the Israel Bar Association's disciplinary committee for "scandalous violation of ethics." He also threatened to charge him with court costs. Amir'a second lawyer, Morde-

ebai Offri, officially resigned from the case yesterday.

"I took on this case on two conditions," said Offri. "The first was that the family would pay for all my expenses, which they haven't done. So far I have paid out of my own pocket for everything and haven't received a cent

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Mordechai Naftali, head of Hayarkon sub-district's investigations division, where Amir was first taken after his arrest, described his shock at Amir's reaction when he told him that Rabm was dead.

bring its last witnesses today, in-

"He said that he had arrived the square to execute the prime minister," said Naftali.

did not know of Rabin's death. Then I got a phone call from

the aub-district commander [Ya'acov Shovai] who said: 'He

Naftali. "I was shocked by his cool, and when I asked him if he regretted his actions, he replied that he didn't."

At this point, he added, Amir

Amir, who is accused of conspiring with his brother to assassinate Rabin, resigned yesterday, saying

was apparently successful.' The prosecution is expected to

> Potential organ donors 📴 increase

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ABOUT 2,000 people registered as potential organ donors in December, compared with only 137 in October, the National Transplaot Coordinating Center (NTCC) reported last week.

The NTCC said part of the increase was due to repercussions of Yitzhak Rabin's assassination, and the rest resulted from a major information campaign it started on December 11.

There are 74,000 potential donors on the list being kept, by ADL, an organization founded in memory of a teenager who died for lack of a donor organ. The NTCC is planoing to colloct names of prominent Israelis who agree to make their registration with ADI known and publicize it as an example to others.

In 1995, 110 organ transplants were performed here using donations from 27 deceased donors (each of whom donated an average of four organs), plus 101 transplants from living donors A total of 945 patients are still waiting for a transplant due to the

Woman thought she was melting: rare mental syndrome occurs here

A 28-YEAR-OLD Israeli woman is one of the few people in the world to be diagnosed with a strange, but usnally short-lived psychiatric syndrome that caused her to believe the world and parts of her body were "melting" and that she would live forever.

The rare illness, called Cotard Syndrome, is so obscure that it is not even listed in the the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders - considered the psychiatrists' bible. Fewer than 20 cases have been authenticated in the world's medical literature over the past 20 years.

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The case is described in the latest issue of Harefuah, the journal of the Israel Medical Association, by Drs. George Simoviel aod Arye Bauer of the Jaffa Community Mental Health Center. 1 e . .

The woman is unmarried and an only child who completed only elementary school. She lives m sheltered housing and works in a factory. Complaining of anxiety, she suddenly claimed witches had cast a spell on her; when she looked in the mirror, she saw herself without a nose. A computerized scan of her head showed physiological changes io her brain. She was treated with drugs and psychotherapy and her conditioo improved.

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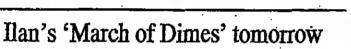
Assimilation, which threaten

termarriage, "because we haven't yet lived a normal life."

(Joc Malcolm)

Germany's 29-year-old Minister of Youth Affairs Claudia Nolte (second from right) talks with new immigrants at the Nurim youth village, as her host, Jewish Agency Yonth Aliya Department head Yehiel Leket (left) looks on.

previous patients lived in an era before magnetic resonance imagiog aod other scanolog techniques could disclose changes in brain function.



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March of Dimes chairman Herzl Shekalim said the campaign aims at collecting at least NIS 3 million. Ilan runs a network of kindergartens and special schools, vocational training centers, rehabilitation units, sports centers and hostels for adults.

London to get Holocaust museum

HAIM SHAPIRO

LONDON'S Imperial War Museum (IWM) is to incorporate a Holocaust maseum, according to Sir Sigmund Sternberg, chairman of the International Council of Christians and Jews, who was here last week for the World Jewish Congress Global Assembly.

Stemberg said the staff of the IWM has agreed to the allocation of space for the "museum within a museum" and that funds are being solicited for the project.

"This is an important step for us. London is the only world capital with no Holocaust museum," he said.

According. to the plans, the new museum is to occupy the fourth and fifth floors of the WM's "southern infill," an area of some 1,500 square meters. The

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floor above will show a related exhibit on the inhumanity of war, while the floor below is to be a conference and education center.

The new museum is to be a major part of an IWM redevelopment scheme. The cost of the entire project is £12 million, of which £3.5m. is for fitting out the Holocaust exhibit.

According to the IWM, the exhibit will take an objective stance on what it calls "uncomfortable truths" concerning Britain'a role during the Holocaust. This includes restrictions on immigration, blockage of emigration to Palestine, and internment of Jewish refugees as enemy aliens.

Sternberg said he hoped the new museum would be opened within three years.

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opening 6th International Conference of the Jewish Media on Saturday night.

Lau said that to cite Halacha as a basis for the killing of Yitzhak Rabin was a grave distortion.

While Lau claimed that there were no authorized rabbis who had sanctioned the actions of Yigal Amir, Jewish Agency Chairman Avraham Burg charged that "there is a spiritual infrastructure which gives a hechsher to this kind of fundamentalism." Prof. Ehud Sprinzak of the He-

brew University's Political Science Department described the assassination as "an act of des-

He said there are only a few dozen violent activists on the extreme right, and most of them are inclined to be violent toward Palestinians. Very few advocate hurting Jews. Even though their

language is one of "rhctorical violence" he said, "they are not violent, they are people in crisis." In his address, Burg focused on Jewish survival "without an external enemy." He wondered whether "we have enough commoo definitions which will enable us to function as a people."

"As long as we had an outsider to define for us who is a Jew, it was casy," he said, "but the min-

nition, it's different."

In the past, he commented, the Jews of Israel and the Jews of the Diaspora were in direct contact with each other through the rescue of a third person.

Looking five to 10 years ahead, Burg ooted that this will be the first time in centuries when a majority of the Jewish people will not be under threat of persecution.

"The better the situation is for the individual Jew," he warned, "the worse it is is for the collective."

Up until now, he said, Israel has been relatively immune to in-

Jewish existence, has oot yet been properly addressed by the Israel government and the world Jewish leadership, he said, adding that he intends to discuss it today at a government sponsored meeting on future relations between Israel and the Diaspora.

Burg will press the government to help Jewish schools abroad to become the best in the world, so that people will want to send their children there.

He also wants to create a university of the Jewish people in Israel to help prepare future Jewish leaders for both the Diaspora. and Israel.

shortage of organs. Of them, '801 (including 40 children) seek, a kidney. The queue for kidneys is lengthening; at the end of 1994, there were only 677 people waiting for a kidney.

Twenty liver transplants were performed last year, along with 16 heart transplants and 56 kidney transplants, the NTCC said. Meanwhile, Mazal Zubiv, a 12year-old who suffered from cirrhosis of the liver, was recovering vesterday after undergoing a liver transplant. The Netivot girl, whp celebrated her bat mitzva two weeks ago, had waited for a donor organ for three years.

Genetic modeling proves paternity six years after alleged father died

JUDY SIEGEL

JERUSALEM genetic scientists have proven that a man who lived a "donble life" and died of cancer of Hadassab's molecular biology six years ago was the father of the unit, worked with Dr. Stella Robaby girl born to his mistress. senhaum and Dr. Anat Blumen-The proof was based on old feld on the case, after being asked blood samples taken while he was by a court to settle the paternity being treated at Haifa's Rambam question on the basis of DNA. Hospital and made possible The man had undergone a biopthrough polymerase chain reacsy and blood test at Rambam, but tion (PCR) techniques used at Hathese tissue samples contained dassah-University Hospital on

Mt. Scopus in Jerusalem. The man, who was married with children, had a mistress, whom he supported. After his sudden death, the mistress sued for a share in his estate to cover child-care expenses.

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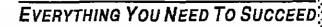
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Mandela lectures Farrakhan

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PRESIDENT Nelson Mandela told controversial US hlack Moslem leader Louis Farrakhan yesterday that South Africa rejects racism and sexism and reveres all The fiery orator, whose state-

ments have attacked Jews and women specifically and whites generally, said after meeting Mandela he agreed with the president's non-racial stand.

"All of the principles that President Mandela has outlined we agree with totally," he told reporters after his 30-minute meeting with Mandela. "Islam is a religion which, if practiced, disallows racialism, racism, injustice, tyranny and oppression."

Mandela said he outlined "the fundamental principles on which our policies are based and on which we are trying to build a new South Africa" during the meeting at his Johannesburg home.

The lecture came after the visit of Farrakhan, head of the UShased Nation of Islam Movement, generated vocal conpers questioned the wisdom of the visit because of racial sensitivities in the country's new democracy. The white right described him last week as a pile of horse manure. Even Mandela's African National Congress had said Farrakhan could learn about tolerance during his visit.

" Mandela said he had met many people with opposing views and agreed to meet Farrakhan despite -opposition.

him because in the course of my career as leader of the ANC and president I have accomodated a wide range of views. I have met people whose views were diametrically opposed to mine," Mandela told reporters.

Mandela has called on blacks and whites to come together since white minority rule ended with his election two years ago. Farrakhan, asked if racial divisions also could be bridged in the United States, said the key in South Africa was Mandela's leadership.

Farrakhan was on a 27-day factfinding tour of Africa that also has taken him to Nigeria, where he met with military dictator Gen. Sani Abacha, and Libya, where be met with Muammar Gaddafi.

Mandela defended Farrakhan's contacts with leaders who have been accused of trampling on human rights. The president said he himself would meet with Abacha as soon as the Nigerian leader released jailed political dissidents and embraced democratic reform, and called Gaddafi a supporter of the anti-apartheid movement. Farrakhan has long bad ties to Gaddafi. Such links, along with his fiery rhetoric, bave earned him criticism in the United States. But his part in organizing the Million Man March on Million Man March on Washington was seen as a hid to shake off his militant reputation and emerge as a hlack leader with wide support. During the October march Fairakhan extorted black men to take responsibility for their lives, and for comhatting racism, and to 'treat women with respect.



A French military video shows a white shockwave as France carried out its sixth underground nuclear test, a 120 kiloton blast, at Fangataufa atoll in the south Pacific on Saturday.

French nuclear test sparks outrage, but may be last

FRANCE'S sixth nuclear test triggered a new wave of outrage in Asia and the South Pacific yesterday, tempered by hope the giant under-ground hlast in French Polynesia will be the last. Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines condemned the test at the remote Fangataufa atoll early yesterday, the most powerful since France ended a 1992 moratorium and resumed atomic testing last year.

The Defense Ministry said it was equivalent to less than 120,000 tonnes of conventional explosives, more than six times the power of the bomh dropped on the Japanese city of Hiroshima in 1945.

President Jacques Chirac, who said last year that France would probably stage six tests and then sign a treaty outlawing them for ever, was silent on whether the hlast marked the end of a series that has damaged France's image abroad.

"We bave no comment," an official at Chirac's office said. Chirac bas left the option for a seventh test, saying be will complete the blasts by the end of February.

decide if France can call a halt.

Chirac travels to the United States for a three-day visit on February 1, and will address a joint session of Congress on Thursday in what could be a golden opportunity to

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announce an end to testing.

Australian Prime Minister Paul Keating said the test was irresponsible and could derail current talks in Geneva on the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT).

"Such an irresponsible action sends the worst possible signal to nations that aspire to possess nuclear weapons...The French government is to be strongly condetnined," Keating said. New Zealand Prime Minister Jim Bolger expressed outrage but his government expected the blast would end the series. He said recent admissions of traces of radiation leakage after earlier blasts increased pressure on

France to halt testing. There is no such thing as a safe nuclear test," Bolger said. Chirac has said the tests are "ecologically barmless".

Japan, the only country ever to suffer atomic bombing, voiced deep regret and urged Paris to halt further blasts.

Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the two cities bombed in 1945, also protested.

The Philippines accused France of flouring the spirit of a recent Southeast Asian antiouclear treaty. "The Filipino people, and I per-

sonally, once again condemn in the strongest terms the latest test," President Fidel Ramos. said.

Environmental group Greenpeace, which has led a flotilla to the South Pacific in efforts to stop the tests, said the hlast was scandalous and a snub to the CTBT negotiators.

Former French president Valery Giscard d'Estaing, who ruled from 1974-81, did not criticize the tests but said: "I wish the fastest

possible conclusion to French nuclear testing." In a brief statement, the French Defense Ministry said that "the aim of the test was to guarantee the safety and the reliability of the weapons in the future".

The shock wave from the blast briefly turned the lagoon an eerie, frothing white.

Chirac has triggered successive waves of outrage since be ended the 1992 moratorium declared by his late Socialist predecessor, Francois Mitterrand. He bas cut the number of tests from eight originally announced in June.

"All depends on the quality of the test ... If it succeeds as well as the five others, perhaps there will only be six. If put officials believe they need more data then there will be a sev-enth," said an official close to Chitac.

Chirac says France needs the tests to validate a new warbead for its submarine-based missiles and acquire the ability to simulate tests on (Reuter) computer.

The Jerusalem Post US soldier grazed by sniper, more POWs to be freed

SARAJEVO (AP) - A US soldier was wounded yesterday in a tense Serb-beld suburb yesterday, the third time in two days that NATO soldiers have been fired on there. Meanwhile, the slow release of prisoners of war continued across Bosnia yesterday. Red Cross officials complained that civilians

were also being moved in unsupervised swaps. The US soldier. Shawn H.

Watts, was grazed by a sniper's bullet yesterday in front of the NATO headquarters building in Ilidza, west of Sarajevo.

NATO said it was investigating. Bosnian Serb army officials in Ilidza said they knew nothing of the shooting.

On Saturday, two French patrols in Ilidza were fired on. No one was injured and a NATO spokesman, French. Col. Richard Pernod, said the firing did not appear to be deliberate.

Under the Bosnian peace accord, Serb-areas in the Sarajevo suburbs will come under control of Bosnia's Moslem-Croat federation. Many of the approximately 60,000 Serbs in suburbs say they will leave rather than submit to the rule of enemies they fought for 42 months. Thousands already are thought to have departed.

The shootings came as the former foes geared up for another prisoner-of-war release.

On Saturday, about 380 people held by the Moslem-led government, its Croat allies and the Serbs were freed, Red Cross officials said yesterday.

That release fell short of the goal of releasing the remaining 600 prisoners registered with the International Red Cross. The POW releases are already a week behind schedule. The peace accord stipulated that the 900 prisoners registered with the Red Cross were to be freed unconditionally by Jan. 19. But only about a third were released on time. Red Cross spokesman Pierre

Gauthier said the Bosnian Serbs were expected to release prisoners from the eastern Bosnian towns of Visegrad and Foca yesterday, and that Red Cross delegates were in the prisons monitoring the release. It was unclear how many were to

be freed. According to Red Cross prisoner lists, which officials concede do not reflect all POWs in Bosnia, the Serbs still hold 140 prisoners. The Bosnian Croats fulfilled their POW release obligations on Saturday, at least as far as Red Cross lists were concerned, Gauthier said. However, they were still holding about 50 prisoners, under investigation for possihle war crimes. Gauthier said the Croats had the right to keep them for further investigation "for a reasonable time."

The Bosnian government was to free 75 prisoners from Travnik, hut it was uncertain whether that would take place.

However, the Red Cross complained the government was still believed to hold many prisoners at a military prison in Tuzla, and that its delegates had not been allowed to visit them.

Ganthier called the Bosnian government's stance regarding the Tuzla detainees "unacceptable."

Calm prevails in Niger despite military coup

NIAMEY, Niger (AP) - The streets in the capital of this West African country were calm yesterday after soldiers seized control of government, ending the country's brief attempt at democracy.

In the second military coup in the region in 10 days, soldiers converged on the presidential palace and placed Presidential Mahamane Oussiane duder house arrest. Political parties were outlawed, the constitution was suspended, and Col. Barre Mainassara Ibrahim declared himself head of state.

Mainassara, 45, said he staged the coup to end the Ta in parliament, where for the past year Ousmane and his opponents had been in a political standoff.

out the capital as the coup unfold-

International telephone lines were still cut today and the airport was closed

As Mainassara's speech was read on state-run radio, civilians cowered in their homes. Soldiers, some firme into the air, patrolled the streets of the hot, dusty capi-

The coup, coming just 10 days after a military takeover in Sierra Leone, was sure to make things even more difficult for the wretchedly poor country of Niger, which depends on foreign aid. nor nations are willing to

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next general election, which has to be beld hy May 1997. The party, widely regarded as electoral dead-meat after a series of damaging public rows over policy towards the European Union, is invigorated after a week in which it savaged Labor for hypocrisy.

Ministers fell upon Labor with glee after it was revealed that opposition health spokeswoman Harriet Harman had decided to send her son to an elitist grammar school of the kind the party officially opposes.

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Conservatives - who have a

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and trail the main opposition

Labor party in opinion polls by 25

points - are gearing up for the

graph newspaper.

Major said highlighting what he said were Labor's double stan-dards would play a major part in

Major confident as party gears up for poll

the government's election strate-gy, which he worked out with LONDON (Reuter) – Britisb Prime Minister John Major, shrugging off opinion polls which show his ruling Conservative party trailing badly, said yesterday he was confident of winning the ministers last week. "That degree of hypocrisy on education, you can see it in a range of other policies, as well, where they will say one thing and do quite another," he told the next general election. "I like elections, and clearly we

newspaper. Major shrugged off persistent rumors that senior party officials were plotting behind his back to oust him.

"No one can ever say we are not going to have a dispute in any political party, hut I think the Conservative party is coming together to win the next election." Major said he planned to reestablish the traditional contact of the party with its supporters and to persuade people that the benefit from economic recovery would be at risk if Labor were

elected. He also promised to vigorously defend the constitution against Labor's plans for reforms, including a proposal to give Scotland its own parliament.

Scottish secretary Michael Forsyth said yesterday that if Labor put the plan into effect, Britain would disintegrate.

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Police use pressure in Du Pont standoff

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Police spokesman Lee Hunter

said beating in the house was

turned off on Friday evening in

efforts to end the standoff with du

Pont, who is alleged to have shot

dead Olympic champion wrestler

Temperatures in the area were

well below freezing on Saturday

evening after a day of soaking

rains, and yesterday dawned

Police moved spectators and

media from the entrance to the

estate and a windowless black

panel van drove to the house

where du Pont, member of one of

the most prominent US family

dynasties, has been holed up since

About 75 police, including 30

tactical squad memhers, are

involved in the operation at du

Pont's 325-hectare Foxcatcher

estate in rolling country near

Some police wore tight-fitting

Hunter said negotiators had

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apparently giveo du Pont time to sleep on Saturday night, suspend-ing telephone contacts for 13 NEWTOWN SQUARE, Pa (Reuter) - Police said yesterday they were using pressure as well as patience in efforts to end the bours until 10 a.m. yesterday. tense siege at the mansion of

"The bostage negotiators have been talking with Mr du Pont, they know his mental state, his emotional state, they must have felt that's what he needed to continue to negotiate," Hunter said. Referring to the last phone contact on Saturday, Hunter said: "Mr.

du Pont was extremely cordial, and positive." He said du Pont, an expert.

marksman and thought to be heavily armed, was seen moving. about as late as midnight.

Police had contingency plans for incidents such as an escape attempt or a fire in the mansion, but the primary police strategy remained to wait. "We're deploying patience," Hunter said. He said local Baptist minister

Roland Baccillia had led a church service yesterfor law enforcement personnel and others involved in the standoff.

"He (Baccillia) prayed, he asked for safety and wisdom for the police officers involved, he asked for safety and wisdom for the hostage negotiators, the com-mand personnel," Hunter said. "He prayed for peace for the fam-ily of Dave Schultz and for Mr. du Pont's family."

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Mainassara said the military had "saved Niger from chaos" and called politicians "greedy, badly prepared, and incapable of adapt-ing to the demands of democratic DOWEL.

A soldier and a presidential guard were killed and at least a dozen soldiers wounded in gunfights that could be heard through-

give money to military governments. The US government condemned The military forces responsible for this abhorrent deed have acted

contrary to the will of the people." said a statement by US State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns. Because the coup was violent, US law requires that the govcriment now suspend aid to Niger, Burns said.

Yemen may use force to free hostages

SANAA (Reuter) - Yemen said it might use military force to rescue a group of French hostages held by tribesmen in the impoverished Arab state if negotiations set for yesterday evening failed. This will be the last round of

negotiations and if they continue to insist on their conditions we might use force to release the hostages," Marih Governor Abdel Wali al-Shamiri said hours before negotiations with the tribesmen were due to start.

"The military forces are prepared to release the hostages (and can) guarantee their safety," he said, referring to a group of 17 French tourists who security sources said were abducted by the Doman tribe on Thursday.

Two Yemeni drivers and a trans-

lator were also abducted. On Saturday, the tribe released one French bostage and one Yemeni driver. But the governor said the Frenchman who was freed returned to the group on yesterday because his wife was still among the hostages.

The group was abducted in Marib governorate and taken to the Shabwa region, about 460 km southeast of Sanaa. The tourists are aged between 48 and 85 and

"We are using different tribes from Marih and Shabwa during these negotiations in order to pressure the kidnappers. But this evening's negotiations will be the last. If they fail we might use force to release the hostages," Shamiri said. . .

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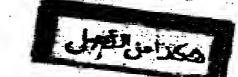
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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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On December 23, in the the staunchly Cathnlic German city of Augsburg, Israeli director Assaf Levin premiered his new productinn of Verdi's opera about the Spanish Inquisitinn, Don Carlo. Critics cheered, the audience

booed and the resulting scandal made the national television news in Germany.

"I was invited by Augsburg th do either Donizetti's Mary Stuart or Don Carlo, two operas based on plays by Schiller," Levin explained during a brief visit here last week. "I always felt Mary Stuart was a boring npera, but I listened to it once again just to confirm my beliefs. Then Carlo was the obvious choice. It is a sociopolitical opera; it is about the Inquisition and it is a work which is not that often performed."

Levin: Germans 'boo themselves' Levin was even further intrigued by the fact that a German opera house invited an Israeli director to put on a work which deals with the very basics of Christianity. Taking this one step further, he invited a fellow Israeli, Eytan Levy, to design the production.

"I realized even before opening night that some would be bothered by the production, but I wasn't familiar with the city and didn't anticipate such a scandal," he said.

The outcry centered around the famous auto-da-fe scene in the opera, which in Levin's production concludes the first part of the evening.

The andience was prohably

hoping for a pinkish production with cherry blossoms, and they were very angry with what they actually saw on stage. I presented this Inquisitinn scene as an ongoing ritual, a sort of a weekly event in which people are burned to death," be said. "The celestial voice that is part of this opera became a sort of opium for the masses. It was as if they were gathering in the plaza once a week to see this death scene enacted in front of them again and again and again.

Levin and Levy created a huge cross which dominated the stage in this scene.

"Once it opened, it revealed spears and dead bodies and the choristers ran immediately

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towards the flnw nf hlood," he explained.

During rehearsals, choros members had no problems with the scene, Levin said, which is why the audience reaction surprised him.

Once word got out, television crews from all nver Germany came to see the production and check the andience's reaction. Many booed.

"Those who boo, actually boo themselves. They are still part nf the generation that lived in Germany 50 years ago and burned Jews to death," Levin said.

There were even occasinnal antisemitic reactions from the audience, hut Levin said that the theater and management nffered unwavering support.

"Once they invited me to direct there, it was my ball game and I could do anything I wanted to," he said. "There are many more performances planned for this and next season

Levin explained that the major idea behind his production of *Don Carlo* was to try and see the characters as human beings.

"King Philip is not really a king in my approach, but rather a sort of Clinton character, a man with a lot of power yet a man whose person-National Opera, where he was a al life is not as glamorous. And the grand inquisitor is not the villain nf resident director for several years. the piece. He adamantly believes in what he does, he truly believes that about the WNO opening so I went he is killing the wicked." to Bristol by train, which took 22

Levin returns to Augsburg this season to direct Offenbach's Les

Contes d'Hoffmann. He is based in Prague – "a beauuled to direct Werther in Long Beach and another production yet tiful city which is close in everywhere. My wife studies in Vienna tn be decided in Bielefeld. and we did not want to live there, able Israeli said with a contented smile. "I do what I like, I live in a so Prague is ideal for both of us."

Levin comes from a very theatrical family. His father, David Levin, was the artistic director of Habimah; his brother Ben is a director; and his uncle is Israel's leading playwright, Hanoch Levin. Assaf Levin served his nperatic apprenticeship at the Welsh

"I was in Berlin when I heard

interested in his work. "My father always told me to leave Israel and work abroad," he said. "He believed that would be the real way to develop, and my years at the WNO showed me he was right."

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He has no major regrets that his

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great city and I enjoy life."

How to make a killing in art

FILM REVIEW ADINA HOFFMAN

JADE

Directed by William Priedkin. Screenplay by Jee Eszterhas, Hebrew title: Jade . 95' minutes, English dia-logue, Hebrew subtitles, Children under 17 not admitted without an adult. (ID will be desched will be checked)

David Corelli David Caruso Linda Fiorentino Matt Gavin Chazz Palminteri

Creenwriter Joe Eszterhas Specializes in telling an unusually warped sort of shaggy-dog story. His scripts for thrillers like Jagged Edge, Basic Instinct, and now, Jade, all rely on gratuitously sadomasochistic situations, improbable plot twists, simplistic psychology, purple dialogue and ludicrous endings.

They're also great fun to watch. Eszterhas has a knack for engaging us, despite the complete absurdity and, some might say, pornographic self-indulgence of his pet formulas. (Or maybe it's more accurate to say he engages us because of these indulgent



Sundance fest goes big time

Festival - the premiere films in the US - closing over the weekend, movie executives raced around the small ski-resort town of Parky City, Utah, in pursuit nf young filmmakers and movies Hollywood hopes to turn to gold. In recent years, Sundance has evolved from a sleepy event where low-hudget, independent films gained respect from fellow filmmakers to one in which movies are shown to Hollywood movie distrib-

ntors We don't leave anything to chance. We pursue films," said Mark Ordesky, who heads up New Line Cinema's team of about 12 people at Sundance, "And I think people who make the movies deserve to be pursued."

The reasoning for snapping up compelling, independent movies is simple: most are made on shoestring budgets and can be bought by distributors for a fraction of the \$20 to \$25 million average hudget of a major Hollywood movie. Moreover, the so-called "art-

house" film theater circuit is expanding in the US, and the desire for English-language films is booming overseas.

In 1995, foreign revenues for independent, English-language films topped \$1.3 hillion, a record for the industry, according to the American Film Marketing Association.

Earlier this week, Ordesky's John Housely went into debt. borcompany paid about \$2 million for rowed from their families and used distribution rights for an Australian film called Shine.

well-publicized shouting match at a local restaurant over rights to the film, an act for which he later apologized, according to local news While losing a rights battle can

sometimes mean losing a job for acquisition executives, for the filmmakers, cutting a deal is often the ticket to a new career - from assistant-level jobs straight to the director's chair.

"I'm on cloud nine," said "Lisa Krueger, writer and director of Manny and Lo, after Sony Pictures Classics paid a reported \$750,000 to distribute her film. "This is fand of my dream, but I was totally unprepared by the immediate response," Manny and Lo traces the story of

two teenage sisters who run away from their foster home to live on the road.

Krueger said she finished the film last week and held its first ever screening on Tuesday at Sundance. The result was a tremendous äudience response, the Sony deal and congratulations from event organizer and major Hollywood star, Robert Redford.

"Being here is a major opening for an independent," says Ralph Donnelly, producer representative for Dadetown, a documentary-style movie that's winning strong reviews from audiences.

Dadetown has not yet signed a deat, but Donnelly is hopeful, espe-"cially since writers Russ Hexter and every trick they knew to get their

the Spitfire Grill, according to the

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methods.) At least he's clever enough to keep us guessing. And part of the smutty enjoyment of viewing an Eszterhas picture comes from trying to predict just how far he'll dare push one of his own cliches.

All these films take place in a fantasy San Francisco where the population is composed entirely of two groups. There are, first of all, the filthy rich, who live in enormous cliffside mansions with long driveways and maids in uniform. When they're not riding horses, dating rock stars or serving on museum acquisition committees, these society folks bide their time by dabbling in some glamorous profession like publishing magnate, crime novelist, or governor of the state.

And then there are the working stiffs: earnest police detectives. soft-spoken assistant D.A.s or single-mom lawyers. The main thing that unites these two kinds of characters is that they all enjoy their sex rough and ritualistic. Likewise the murders they commit or are called upon to solve.

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In Jade, the crime involves the hatcheting-to-death of a millionaire art collector. When his body is discovered, he's wearing a piece from his nwn collection, a rare

The killings in his movies always involve some fetishistic prop, like an ice pick, the homicidal use of which is meant to suggest the enactment of a primitive tribal This time around, the man assigned to crack the lurid case is David Corelli (David Caruso), the aforementioned soft-spoken assistant D.A. He's got a gentle man-

ner, Howdy-Doody red hair, and an old friendship with socialites Matt and Trina Gavin (Chazz Palminteri and Linda Fiorentino). Matt's a big, bearish defense attorney, and Trina's a psychologist with a strange, flat voice, a deadness in her eyes and, it becomes clear, a secret. She delivers a lecture early in the film

David Corelli (David Caruso), a San Francisco prosecutor, goes in hot pursuit of whoever hatcheted a wealthy art collector.

about people "no different from you or me" who are "blind to the African fertility mask. Though this may sound exotic, it's actually just one more of the necessary darkness within themselves.... ingredients in an Eszterhas film. They dissociate themselves from their own actions" and, we assume, become capable of committing unspeakable atrocities such as murder with an African hatchet.

Director William Friedkin has a classier, more muted style than the other directors who've executed Eszterhas's pulpish outlines in the past. Instead of opening with inyour-face sex and violence (like both Jagged Edge and Basic Instinct, the film begins with a mesmerizing pan around the art collection of the soon-to-be-dead millionaire. Under the urgent Prokofiev-styled strings and tympani, we hear a struggle going on - but we can't distinguish the voices. And we never see a body. In fact, the only sign that a murder has taken place is a puddle of hlood that seeps from under an opulent Chinese screen. In the context of all this diffuse golden light and sumptuousness, it looks more like liquid silk than anything

Not only does he stage the most exciting car chase of the last seve eral years (up and down the precipitous hills of North Beacb and through a colorful parade in Chinatowa). Friedkin fiddles skillfully with nur expectations of the actors. On the one hand, all three of the leads seem impeccably cast. Caruso has a melancholy straightness about him that's perfect for his role. Fiorentino's hard, hitten persona is fascinating, though it's so close to the one she dished out in The Last Seduction that she appears - after only two major roles - to have wiggled her way into a rut. And nn matter

whom he plays, Palminteri always exudes the same breed of thuggish dignity.

On the other hand, these characterizations seem a little too inevitable to be true. Perhaps Friedkin plans to startle us in the end...

Suffice it to say that after learning whodunit in the closing frames, there's little use thinking back on any Eszterhas picture to try and reason your way through what "really" happened.

Like all his movies, Jade relies on sly hint-dropping and innuendo along the way, and then ditches the tricky particulars in the final seconds. It's not just that the scriptwriter believes that the animal side - our basic instinct - is what guides us. He needs a generous allowance of irrationality to grope his way out of the out-landish set-up.

Headed into its final screening Shine, which held its world premiere at the festival, is inspired by late in the festival's schedule, he the life of Australian pianist David Helfgot. Ordesky labeled the film a said three distributors were considering the film. "white hot" choice, one he simply Meanwhile, movie deals were piling up fast. Earlier in the week, had to acquire. He screened the film last Snnday. By Monday Castle Rock Entertainment surmorning, he was locked in a room prised industry executives by paying \$10 million to distribute Care of for six hours negotiating the final

contract. trade newspaper Daily Variety: Spitfire Grill stars Ellen Burstyn Ordesky said competition for the movie was intense with bidders emerging on the first day of the screening and "the phone ringing off the hook while we were in that released from prison and tries to room." Miramax films co-chairman Harvey Weinstein got into a Maine.

Fisher snags first film deal

Tenor Dudu Fisher will make his screen debut as the star of Menahem Golan's *The Road to Fame*. The film is a remake of the 1927 Al Jolson classic, The Jazz Singer, German Jewish industrialist Ignatz Blodinger will hack the film which is hudgeted at \$5 millinn. Fisher and Golan flew to Frankfurt last week to sign contracts. In the 1927 version the poor cantor's son becomes a jazz singer. Neil Diamond became a rock star in an unsuccessful 1980 remake and in Golan's film Fisher will become a famnus opera singer. Helen Kaye



A pianist reflects on Beethoven and bad omens

reat rehearsal, bad concert. That's one of the oldest musical superstitions around, and Ja'acov Kasman has reason to believe it.

Four years ago, on the strength of his early-round performances in the Arthur Rubinstein Piano Masters Competition in Tel Aviv, the Russian-Jewish pianist was considered a shoo-in for the semifinals.

"I was very optimistic after the first stage," the 29-year-old pianist reminisces during a return visit this week. "Even during the mnming rehearsal with the orchestra when I played Beethnyen's fifth piano concerto, I was in high spirits. It was a great rehearsal and many people say that a great rehearsal is a bad omen.

It certainly was nne for Kasman. "I was so confident and I knew I would return to the auditorium in the evening and show everybody how good I was," he recalls. "The rest, however, is history."

Kasman quickly realized that it

was not going to be his night. "It just didn't happen the way I wanted it to happen," he says. "I was too excited and the moment I left the stage I knew that was the end."He eventually finished in fifth place.

Competitions . like the Rubinstein Piano Masters, savs Kasman, who lives in Moscow with his wife and their eightmonth-old daughter Alexandra, are a necessary, but not necessarily fair, evil.

"I'm not inventing the wheel by telling you that once we look at the jury in any given competition and at the list of participants we can tell quite clearly whn will eventually advance to the next round.'

That said, "participating in com-petitions is better than staying at home doing nothing. And even if you do not end up a winner, you might meet a manager or conducMICHAEL AJZENSTADT

tor who will eventually open some doors for you."

Does this means that piano competitions are little more than slave markets for young musicians?

"This is definitely one way of putting it. In today's world everything is bought and sold," Kasman says. "Unfortunately, what I dn is mere art and I have yet to find a person who is interested in selling me."

Like a true professional, bowever, Kasman returned to the scene of his disappointment nn Saturday and offered up a recital in homage

to Rubinstein on the very stage where he first impressed local audiences.

This Friday, at 11 a.m., he'll perform Rachmaninoff's third piano concerto with the Haifa Sympbony Orchestra in their home auditorium.

Kasman has a strong connection with this concerto.

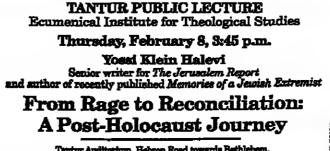
"Ever since I was a child I admired this concerto," he says. "Obviously many pianists, myself included, try to do some things in a different way when we perform such a well-known and often-performed concerto. Of course everyone can hear that and it makes for a more interesting rendition."

One composer with whom he feels complete affinity is Proknfiev.

"Sometimes I can express through his music all my pains, fears and anxieties."

Kasman speaks less about jny, happiness and love though, only saying, "you don't find a lot of that in the music I play."

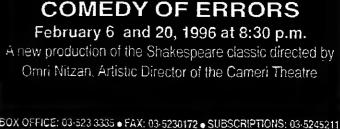
Even in his personal life, Kasman avoids talking about good and pleasant things simply to avnid bad luck. After all, he still remembers vividly that morning in which he was sure he was about to conquer the world in a piano competition.

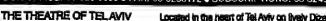


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Ethiopian protest

diplomatic skills yesterday when he met with a delegation of Ethiopian demonstrators and offered the government's apology to their community. Having suffered unconscionable mistreatment, numerous injustices and profound insults - capped most recently by revelations of government dissembling on blood donations - the Ethiopian immigrants most certainly deserve a profuse apology.

But nothing can be more foolish and shortsighted than to suppose that such an apology is anything but a minor gesture of good will and a necessary step to momentarily calm agitated demonstrators. As one of the protesters put it, if an apology is all the government bas to offer, future confrontations will make yesterday's violent clash with the police seem like a minor, harmless incident.

It requires no deep insight to realize that the blood-donation fiasco did not cause the harsh bitterness, hurning hostility and uncontrollable rage which characterized yesterday's demonstration. In fact, there is nothing wrong in the decision to disqualify blood from immigrants who come from AIDS-afflicted countries. As long as there is no foolproof way of checking such blood for the HIV virus, it is the health authorities' dury to minimize the risks. Had even one such donation caused the death of its recipient, the country would have been up in arms against the health authorities for being criminally lax.

That there is nothing racist about the policy should be clear: the blood of such "high risk" groups as homosexuals and drug addicts is also disqualified. And the fact is that Ethiopian donations of rare blood types are not discarded but used after being kept for the period needed to ascertain their safety. Had there been any prejudice against the donors per se, such donalions would have also been disqualified.

But there is something racist about the patronizing attitude with which the matter has been handled. The intention at Magen David Adom, the agency responsible for collecting blood donations, was to avoid hurting the feelings of Ethiopian donors. Instead of explaining why their blood could not be used, the health authorities told the Ethiopians nothing, while furtively discarding their blood. But like all such well-intentioned dissimulations, this "white lie" - shared by hundreds of nurses and

DRIME Minister Shimoo Peres revealed his same kind of insufferable condescension which has afflicted relations between veteran Israelis and newcomers from less-developed countries ever since the establishment of the state.

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Such condescension seems to be an unfortunate but universal buman characteristic. And it may be arrogant and unrealistic to expect the Jewish nation to be less prone to ugly manifestations of bigotry only because Jews have been victims of discrimination throughout history.

But there was reason to expect greater under-standing. That the nation enthusiastically supported and cheered Operation Moses and Operation Solomon which brought Ethiopian Jews to this country is more than any other nation has done. As one American columnist put it, it was the first time in history that African people were transported from their native land to freedom rather than to slavery.

People may feel differently once the initial elation of a rescue operation passes. But the government must continue with enlightened policies. And the fact is Israel's governments have shown little understanding for the particular problems of the Ethiopian immigration.

Not that the task is easy. The Ethiopians come from a woefully under-developed country, and they cannot be integrated easily. But what seems to trouble them most is not the inevitable economic and social problems, but the disbonesty and patronization they meet every step of the way. This is particularly true in education, the army and government service precisely the areas in which the government could have made them feel welcome and equal.

The violence at yesterday's demonstration was as ugly as any uncontrollable ontburst can be. But there was something refreshing in the uproar that Absorption Minister Ya'ir Tzaban created when he tried to deny knowledge of the blood-donation outrage and blamed the Likud for the problem. If the Ethiopians are savvy enough to have a healthy contempt for the insulting nonsense of political rhetoric they cannot be far from total integration.

One can only hope that yesterday's violence; censurable as it may be, will beget the right response in the Israeli public. The Ethiopian community is not a charity case. It is a healthy, productive and proud national asset, whose needs must be met with understanding, honesty and straightforwardness.

It will be nothing short of tragic if the Ethio-



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favorite justification for A negotiating the return of the Golan Heights to Syris is the cliche that land does not provide security.

Yet many empirical studies of the causes of war suggest the opposite. These studies, most recently Professor John Vasquez'a The War Puzzle, suggest that territory is a critical leading factor in the cause of war. Other studies have suggested that natural borders, in our case the Golan, coupled with an asymmetry of force in favor of the status-quo power, in our case Israel, do deter attack.

Cooversely, contiguous border disputes in which there is a perceived symmetry of power often lead to war. Still more studies have suggested that war is a result of a conflict of "core values" between two societies.

This raises two important questions: What are the dimensions of the territorial dispute between Israel and Syria? And how will returning the Golan to Syria change the perceived balance of forces?

To believe that returning the territories will briog peace, we would have to believe that peace prevailed in the region prior to June 1967, when Israel captured the territories.

However, we know that prior to THE CRUX of the problem is that the Six Day War Istaeli farmers in while leaders may sign "peace" the valley below the Golan Heights were subjected to incestreaties, peace is made between DCO Syrian shell that the core of the conflict is not quibbles over the extent and type the Golan, and may be based upon . of peace he is willing to have with Israel: that Yasser Arafat uses historical, religious, and cultural animosities. In which case, any 'peace" treaty will only be a transitory respite. More important is the question of how returning the Golan may change the perceived asymmetry of power between Israel and Syria. Sitting atop the Golan would give Syria a strategic advantage,

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Advocates of the present govwhich may lead it to perceive that ernment claim that Hizbullah acthe correlation of forces has shifted tivity in Lebanon threatens the to its favor. The result of this perwhole region with destruction, ception, correct or not, would be a while the government dismisses Hamas terrorism: as little more The claim that many current than a mild irritation. And followand former generals refine the Going the Rabin assassination, govlan's strategic importance is spuriemment supporters called for supous and without merit. Both sides pression of freedom of speech of the debate can wheel out countunder the banner that "words can less "experts" to support their con-

kill," while dismissing Arafat's promises to liberate Jerusalem as meaningless rhetoric. During the US national health care debate, Americans were told

to ask themselves two questions regarding their president's desire to overhand the health care system: What am I getting? And how much is it going to cost?

It is time Israelis asked their leaders what kind of peace they will be getting by returning the Golan, and what the cost in lives will be if Israel needs to recapture the Heights in a future conflict.

The government's stiempt to define the debate in terms of peace. or land reflects the shallowness of ern weaponry, strategic depth is far more important today than preits position, and its contempt for the intelligence of Israel's electorate.

> The debate isn't about peace or land. It is over whether the govconment's actions are alleviating or CARCEIDS annal for the ture conflict. It is a legitimate debate between those who have a utopian vision of a "new" Middle East, and those who listen to what Israel's "peace partners" are saying.

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SUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

OR over a week now British media headlines have been featuring Headlines featuring Harriet Harman, shadow minister of health in the Labor Party.

The reason behind all the rumpus was Harman's registering her son at a highly prestigious grammar school outside her own district, in preference to any of the local schools located inside the district.

Since pareots io Britaio cao choose the school to which they wish to send their children, there was nothing legally wrong with her decision

The problem is that Britain's Labor Party is seeking to abolish this system of free choice, which it says perpetuates differences in education levels provided by different schools. It wants to strengthen the weaker schools by, among other things, ensuring that bright students aren't moved away from them.

The Conservative Party launched a caustic attack on what it termed Labor's hypocrisy, and Laborite hardliners demanded Harman's resignation from her position in the shadow cabinet.

But Labor leader Tony Blair rose to Harman's defense. As long as the Conservatives

Self-interest vs. principle in politics. A thorny issue

stay in power, be said, weaker schools are denied the help they require to raise standards. With every parent now being able to choose the school he wants his children to attend, it is unfair to force anyone - even a Labor Party leader - to compromise his children's future for the sake of an unrealized principle.

THE Harman affair points to a real dilemma.

What value do principles have, if every time they come up against self interest, the latter wins out? On the other hand, is it wrong to argue that principles cannot be divorced from circumstances?

For example, until the last general elections, members of Israel's Lador Party were expected. few exceptions, to be members of the Histadrut, even if they did not require trade union services, and were members of a health fund other that Kupat Holim Clalit. The reasoning was that the Histadrut was considered an integral part of Labor's ideology - despite the fact that, in practice, the organization had long ceased to serve the canses for which it was originally set up, serving rather those of its own apparatus and the stronger trace unions. In other words, it may be argued that just as Harriet Harman should be expected to send her son to a local school once such a school can offer him an appropriate education, so members of our Labor Party should only be expected to be members of the Histadrut (if at all) once the labor federation starts providing services they really need None of this is to suggest that we are entering an era in which politics should be based exclusively on pragmatism and self-interest rather than ideology, or that members of the legislature should represent only interests and not ideology. Britain's House of Commons recently appointed an external commissioner for standards to stop some of the uglier manifestations of interests taking precedence over principle, These include members of parliament being willing to peddle their parliamentary services for a fee, on a one-time or regular basis. To retain to the issue, there is no doubt that ideology must constantly be reviewed. Just as the Labor Party in Britain needs to take another look at its education policy before it returns to power (something it is expected to do next year), Israel's Labor Party should take a serious look at the kind of relationship it ought to have with the new Histadrat_

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medics - was bound to be discovered, ultimately hurting Ethiopian feelings far more acutely. The practice was not merely foolish, nor just immoral and unethical. It is a symptom of the

plan ingathering, one of the finest chapters in Israel's history, will end with the creation of an underclass rather than as a monument to Jewish oneness.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RABBINIC POLITICS

Sir, - Moshe Kohn's column oo January 5 attacked Rabbi Aharoo Lichtenstein, head of Yeshivat Har Etzioo in Alon Shvut, for "confessing too much." While Mr. Kohn certainly has the right to disagree with the views of Rabbi Lichtenstein, his column is not convincing hecause it fails to explain: (1) which of Rabbi Lichtenstein's statemeots are incorrect and why, and (2) at what point does confessing become "too much." The only criterion Mr. Kohn seems to entertain is a negative one, i.e., the hypocrisy of the secular left in light of the Ehud Adiv case. Apparently Rabbi Lichtenstein has opted for a higher standard.

Mr. Kohn's columo elicited a letter from Rabbi Yaakov I. Homnick, published in the Post oo January 21. that commends the columnist for 'penetrating" Rabbi Lichtenstein's 'immunity to criticism," allegedly based upon his being the soo-in-law of the late Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik. Although I have had the privilege of being a student of his for a long time, I cannot recall that Rabbi Lichtenstein has ever claimed immunity to criticism - either explicitly or implicitly - because of his father-in-law or for any other rea-

Sir, - As I have just seen a copy of The Jerusalem Post dated January 21. I would like to make the following observations on the report by Oo Levy under the headline, "Hamas terrorists killed in clash with soldiers near Jenin,"

That three Palestinians were indeed killed and an Israeli soldier wounded is an irrefutable fact - that a Kalashnikov rifle was used by Palestinians, however, is not.

It is to be hoped that the inquiries by the Palestinian and Israelj authorities into this incident will clarify the events resulting in this trage-

LOGICAL ARTICLES

Sir, - I thought you would like to er says that, although she does not know that every time an article by Jonathan Blass appears in The Jerusalem Post, 1 receive at least two copies of it sect to me by friends in Israel, 1 in turn send them to other frieods. Even a Peace Now support-

son. In fact, Rabbi Lichtenstein has never been regarded as infallible, oeither by himself nor by his wife oor by his studeots. Even before the January 5 column in the Post. he was certainly subjected to criticism in some quarters - and even delegitimation, e.g., the refusal of last mooth's Kulanu K'Ehad organizers to allow him to address the gathering. As for Rabbi Homaick's advice

that Rabbi Lichtenstein "keep his hands out of politics" - is Rabbi Homnick joining the chorus of those who would muzzle rabbis in general, or would he muzzle only those who disagree with him? YTTZHAK FRANK

Jerusalem

Moshe Kohn comments: 1) I did not write that any of

Rabbi Lichtenstein's statements are 'incorrect.' 2) Rabbi Lichtenstein's confess-

ing became "too much" when, in the examples I cited, he singled out "especially and directly" the oational-religious community as obligated to feel shame at the low level to which our society has sunk, and as guilty of having "ourtured simplism."

HONEST PRESS dy; it is however, important for your readers, the families of the dead and wounded and the people of Jenin, that the true facts of this tragedy be publicly verified.

Hooest press is vital in achieving the truth and respect of the many diverse interests in attempting to bring peace to the region.

CLLR. ERIC BYRNE T.D., Member of the Irish Parliament

Dublin. The Hamas terrorists used pistols, not a Kalashnikov. The Jerusalem Post regrets the error. Ed. J.P.

agree with many of Blass's ideas, they are so logical and well expressed that she is forced to review some of her opinions. FRANCES HEYMAN

New York

WAR WITHOUT THE GOLAN

Sir, - Since the peace process was based on the assumption that there was a "New World Order" after the Gulf War and that the Soviet Union. was no longer an automatic supporter of Syria against Israel, perhaps there should be a pause oow in the oegotiations with Syria. It seems that our democratic friend Yeltsin is in trouble after the botched Chechoya affair and his re-election is in serious doubt.

If Russia turns rightward, inward and away form the West, it may also turn against Israel and resume its active support of Assad, who refrains from making war only be-cause he knows he does not have enough to fight with. In that case, Israel would find itself, after a peace treaty, in the same boat in which it was before the Yom Kippur War, or io a worse position, since much of the West Bank would theo be in Arafat's hands. Let us remember that Arafat supported Saddam Hus-sein in the Gulf War. Would he hesitate to support Assad in a war in which the new-old Russia would support Assad? To rush in before these possible

negative developments occur with a withdrawal from the Golan and a peace on paper with Syria, would be foolish. After they eventually take place, we may look back nostalgically to the time we were on the Golan, with no peace. Peace without the Golan would be worthwhile. War without the Golan would be disastrous.

RABBI JACOB CHINITZ Jerusalem.

CARTOONS

Sir, - We have not yet found one person who understands or appreciates Meir Ronnen's so-called "cartoons." They are not funny, por witty, nor informative, not even offensive or sarcastic. In fact, our fiveyear-old daughter draws more interesting and sophisticated pictures than Ronnen's.

Please give ns Oleg, a world-class cartoonist and caricaturist, full-time. Your readers deserve nothing less. DAVID and NADIA MATAR

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terms like jihad and "liberation" to refer to the transfer of anthonity in the territories; and that an estimated 250,000 mourners turned out for the Gaza funeral of terrorist Yihye Ayyash suggests that Israel's existence is anathema to the core values of many Palestinians, that they have not undergone the

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ALON BEN-MEIR

legislative council to enact a new Palestinian national charter - a 'bill of rights," institutionalizing human rights and guaranteeing in-dividual freedom.

A national charter can provide the basis for the development of democratic institutions on which the Palestinians can crect their future state. Only such basic laws can enhance the legitimacy and credibility of the Palestinian Authority, provide for a legal and smooth succession to power, and

A national charter can be the basis on which the democratic institutions of the

ensure long-term regional stability and progress.

In future elections, political partics - including Hamas - that win a majority vote will be bound by the national charter. For example, their leaders will have to respect religious diversity. They will be unable to abolish the law of the land in order to impose Islamic law, except by national referendum. In other words, these political parties will understand that they

can share power only through democratic means, and that they must respect the constitutional rights of the individual citizen, As a successful democracy, the Palestinian state would offer a model to Egypt, Algeria and other Arab nations still threatened by Islamic persuade Arafat to mobilize the fundamentalist groups.

The writer, a former US Army. intelligence officer, is currently a Ph.D candidate in international relations at the Hebrew University.

Second, the Clinton administration must take the lead in persuading other Western nations, Israel, and donor states to insist on linking all future Palestinian economic and diplomatic assistance to democratization. Such linkage has proven its effectiveness in the past, and substaotial American resources can be brought to bear to influence events in this direction.

Third, the US must impress on the Paleatinian leadership that American support for a Palestinian state is conditional upon a contin-.oed commitment to democracy and human rights. As an added incentive, it should be stressed that Israelis would be far more inclined eventually to support the creation of a democratic Palestinian state. Any agreement between such a' state and Israel would have greater legitimacy in the eyes of both peoples.

The Palestinians have a historic opportunity to begin their political organization from scratch. To emerge from the shackles of occupatioo they need a new brand of intifada - not violent, but a peaceful sloughing-off of their self-enslaving habits.

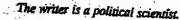
They must, with active US support, insist on a free democratic society, ooe in which human rightsare constitutionally enshrined rather than subject to the whims of elected officials.

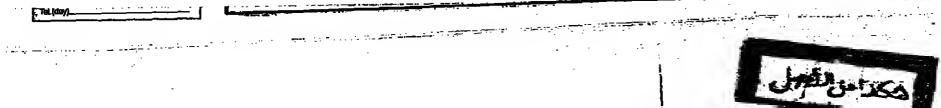
Only then will democratic elections become meaningful, and elected officials learn to respect both their public and the limits of " their power.

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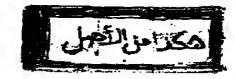
This has become especially important in a situation where Labor's Young Turks are busily remodeling the Histadrut together with their partners from Meretz, without any reference to what the 1992 Labor Party's platform or its ideologues say on the issue.

Reality may at times outrun ideology. When this happens, it is important for ideology to catch up,





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Prime Minister Chernomyrdin gives Moscow the line of his party, Our Home Is Russia; an older message ("We Are Building Communism") is still around.

Picking America's Favorite Russian

By STEVEN ERLANGER

WASHINGTON MERICANS are watching in confusion as Russia beats against the current, borne ceaselessby into the past. With Boris Yeltsin shelling villages, firing reformers, blowing the budget and placing intelligence operatives in key positions throughout the Government, trying to reinvent himself again before presidential elections in June, Is he still America's unt?

America's guy? And if not Mr. Yeltsin, for which of the likely The U.S. has a stake in that other presidential race. And it's two cheers for Yeltsin.

has been hunt, by it, too," said, Stephen, Sestanovich of a the Carnegie Endowingent. "So who comes out alread?" Paul Goble, a steady critic of Administration

than a process." Once you do that, he says, "you have nowhere to retreat" when your favorites behave badly. For instance, American officials admit they were

Nost people think they were just bending over backwards for their friend Mr. Yeltsin.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher says firmly that "America doesn't have a candidate in that election." It is the election itself that matters, he said last week, and the exercise of democracy.

But be inimediately added that Mr. Yeltsin 'has been a reformer' who has accomplished a lot. "We're very strongly supportive of the reformers who want to

Join the Club: The Annals Of Default

By FLOYD NORRIS

T'S a small, if not especially select, circle of countries that the United States will join if the wrangling in Washington forces the country to default on its debts. Last week the Treasury Secretary warned it could happen at the end of February.But only seven other countries have managed to default on debt in their own currency in the past quarter century.

The group is small because usually it's not that hard for a government to pay such debts. Paying off borrowings in foreign currencies can be hard; doing so in your own is normally easy. After all, government printing presses can simply churn out more currency. So why do governments default? Usually because

of revolution or total economic mismanagement and

Revolution is one excuse. Chaos is another. What's Washington's problem?

disarray. In Vietnam, for example, the local currency debts of the old South Vietnamese regime were repudiated when the Communists took control in 1975. It wasn't that they couldn't pay; it was that they considered the debts illegitimate. A similar thing had happened in Russia after the 1917 revolution.

Economic disarray was the reason Argentina defaulted in 1982. Inflation had run rampant for many years, and the Government, to borrow in its own currency, had to promise to indemnify lenders against inflation by paying interest rates that would exceed the inflation rate. Issuing more currency just brought on more inflation, and eventually the Government decided to abrogate its contracts.

The other countries on the dishonor role for defaults, as compiled by Standard & Poor's Corporation, the debt-rating company, include Brazil, Venezuela, Myanmar and Angola. Russia joined the group after the Soviet Union collapsed.

None of the Western industrial powers has defaulted on debts in its own currency; no one has thought it possible. Neither, revolution nor, economic chaos seemed likely, particularly in the United States where Alexander Hamilton, more than 200 years ago, established the principle that this country pays its debts. But it could happen, and for both reasons — disarray and revolution. No one who has followed the

budget debate would deny there is economic disarray in

presidential candidates should America root? And why?

The first problem is that Washington's clumsy embrace of Mr. Yeltsin may have done more harm than good. "You can argue that Yeltsin has been hurt by our rooting for him, and the Clinton Administration policy now with the Potomac Foundation, which studies Eastern Europe, says it's time for the United States to stop embracing personalities in any case, as if countries had feelings rather than interests. "Since 1985," he said, first with Mikhail Gorbachev and now with Mr. Yeltsin, "we've identified with a leader rather continue the reform," he said, "but we don't have a candidate in that election."

Of course America does have a candidate, given the alternatives, and that is the multi-flawed, pasty-

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A Bribe's Not a Bribe When It's a Donation

By JANE FRITSCH

WASHINGTON

kobbyist for the Superior Flange Company gives Senator Backscratch 10 \$100 bills m introduce legislation deregulating the flange undustry. The Senator makes a down-payment on a new car and has his staff draw up the bill.

A lobbyist for the Ace Framus Company sends a check for \$1,000 m Senator Wily's campaign fund. Senator Wily dips into the fund to lease a new car and introduces a bill to deregulate the framus industry.

One man is an obvious criminal who could face time in prison. The other is a smart politician working the system like so many of his colleagues.

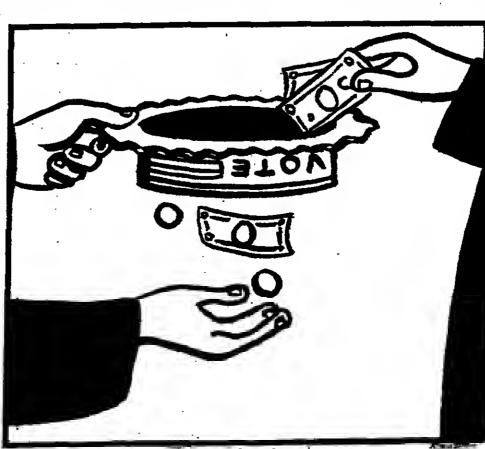
of his colleagues. Why are the actions of one man considered illegal and the actions of the other legitimate? Legally, the answer rests on distinctions worthy of a Talmudic scholar. But practically, the answer is that money for mfluence is so entrenched a part of American politics that the campaign system would founder without it. Candidates have an endless hanger for money to stay competitive, and donors are savvy enough to get a return on their money. Otherwise, they would stop giving.

With campaign spending expected to reach a stratospheric \$100 million for this year's Presidential race alone, the influBuying political influence through contributions is legal (if it's not too brazen).

ence of special interest money is emerging as a serious political issue. Last week, in his State of the Union Address, President Clinton, who has accepted his share of special interest money, called for the passage of bipartisan legislation that would sharply restrict the large donations that are now legal, including those to party committees that critics complain are used to skirt Federal election laws. It would also ban campaign funds used for personal expenses. The legislation was introduced last fall by a small group of senators and representatives from both parties, and support for it is hardly widespread.

Last Wednesday, the Republican National Committee collected more than \$16 million at its annual dinner, a record for a single fund-raising event. Chief among the inducements was a promise of special access to important House and Senate committee members and private meetings with House

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Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, as well as a private breakfast with the Presidential nominee. The price for a private meeting: \$250,000.

The price for a private meeting: \$250,000. Technically, nothing in the law bars a prosecutor from charging an elected official with bribery for taking an official action on behalf of a campaign contributor. But prosecutors may hesitate to pursue such cases because of the difficulty in proving a quid pro quo, said Philip B. Heymann, a Harvard law professor and former Deputy Attorney General in the Clinton Administration.

"The person who gives always has a very strong argument that he in no way wanted to link it to any single vote," Mr. Heymann said. While an unreported cash payment looks highly suspicious to jurors, he said, a campaign donation has a presumption of legitimacy that must be overcome with substantial evidence of motive and intent, evidence that is often lacking.

"I think it's got to be a pretty stupid lobbyist who tries to make an explicitly criminal deal with a legislator," he said.

Stanley M. Brand, a Washington lawyer who has represented a number of politicians in trouble, said it is hard for a prosecutor to make a campaign contribution look like a bribe unless there is "the most explicit evidence" of a quid pro quo. "In 1996 people seem to have smartened up to where they don't have those conversations and writ-

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Aid From an Enemy Of the Welfare State

By JASON DePARLE

WASHINGTON conservatives ever chose a political poster child, the halls of Congress might well be pasted with the meaty owls of John Engler, Michigan's twoterm Governor. No other state executive has logged as many hours in the inner councils of the Republican Congress, plotting the demise of the Federal welfare state.

So Mr. Engler was understandably puzzled last week at the reaction to his latest welfare plan. This time, it was the conservatives who were grumbling. And the peo-ple Mr. Engler had speni his career de-nouncing as Beltwsy liberals were blowing kisses his way - albeit with a certain mischief in mind.

Donna Shalala, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, pronounced herself stunned to find Mr. Engler on her left, "but pleased to have him there." Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York hailed the Engler plan as a sign that "sanity may be returning to this debate." Representative

Democrats cheer the Governor who hates Federal programs.

Barney Frank, perhaps the most partisan paleoliberal in Congress, sald he would file a bill to make the Engler proposal the law of the land.

Mr. Engler would offer poor people services like child care and transportation while requiring them to work, an idea that seems at odds with his earlier purges of \$0,000 adults from Michigan's welfare rolls. But unlike the Democrats, he emphatically rejects any notion of making this plan - or any other - a Federal requirement.

By the end of the week, the noise that came crackling from the Governor's car phone wasn't just static, but the sound of his conservative teeth grinding. "I'm de-lighted to have their praise — the program deserves their praise," he said. "But the conclusions they're drawing are dead wrong." The conclusions, that is, about what it all means for the antipoverty debate that is currently stalled in Congress.

Democrats crow that Mr. Engler's plan makes the point that there's room for Innovation without abolishing the 60-year-old Federal guarantee of aid, known as an "entitlement."

called "block grants." with virtually no Federal strings attached. "What my program proves - and what those of other governors prove - is that

we're fully capable of doing the right thing," he said. "Massachusetts will do one thing, Wisconsin will do something else. We'll pick up on those aspects that work."

Support Services

His program, called "Project Zero," tar-gets 7,000 recipients in six areas of the state, promising them whatever services they need to hold a job. Those who can find private jobs must then take them. Those who cannot must perform community serv-ice. Those who refuse will find their grants

significantly reduced. If it sounds familiar, that's because President Clinton proposed more or less the same thing two years ago. Republicans derided the plan as more big government.

So it's no wonder that Democrats now say the Engler plan validates the principles of mutual responsibility, between society and the poor, that Presideot Clinton has long proclaimed. Like the President, Mr. Engler also hopes to guarantee medical care to the poor once they leave the rolls. Many conservatives, while reluctant to throw barbs at Mr. Engler, are not exactly applauding. When Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts called the plan "generous," he did not mean it as a compliment. "I like

a sterner approach," he said. Unlike the Republican plan in Congress, Project Zero has no time limits: as long as a woman is willing to work, she can receive benefits. It also contains no "family cap," meaning women who have additional children can receive larger grants. "There are a lot of conservatives who think that cutting off welfare is the only answer," said Senator Rick Santorum, a Pennsylvania Repub-lican who added that he is not among them.

The tepid Republican response underscores the split between the "work" and "illegitimacy" camps. Mr. Engler is among those who believe a welfare overhaul should make recipients work. Members of the "illegitimacy camp" argue that the main goal should be to deter out-ofwedlock births; they would deny benefits to young unmarried mothers altogether and put strict cutoffs on families, whether they work or not

While Mr. Engler was annoyed by the liberal encomiums; the real issue may not be the size of his heart but the size of his wallet. No one, including Mr. Engler himself, knows what his program will cost. The Governor insists it will save money eventually, by moving families off the rolls.

But there are reasons to be skeptical. Work programs almost always cost more



The plan offers services to welfare mothers, like Rachel Cornish of Detroit. 4448143

fice, the financing of the Republicans' own 60,000 recipients. bill is sufficiently short that fewer than 15

Ms. Shalala pointed to the expense as an argument for Federal involvement. If welfare remains an entitlement. Federal spending will rise with need; under block grants, Federal spending remains fixed.

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particularly the newer members, seem i more interested in revolutionizing the Government than helping it run. To hear some of them talk, getting their way on the budget. is far more important than the question of J. whether the Government can pay its bills. It is as if General Motors were now being

run by people who were totally disdainful of cars, believing that America would be much better off if horses and buggies were still the primary mode of transportation. They might have a point, but it is not the kind of attitude that would appeal to investors who had lent money to G.M.

A Movable Celling

The United States, of course, has not run out of borrowing power. Its credit is still good, and the interest rates it must pay are not high. But the politicians years ago established a "ceiling" oo the national debt.

The Government continues to run deficits, spending money duly authorized by Congress. And that has meant periodic votes were needed to raise the ceiling. When the Republicans were out of power, a lot of them got used to voting against such increases, figuring that that would sound good back home. The Congressional leadership man-aged to always push them through anyway. Now the Republicans are running the

place, and many of them are still tempted to vote against any increases. Congress first passed an increase last year full of provi-sions that President Clinton could not stomach. The Republicans knew it would be vetoed, as it was. The President wanted a clean increase, but the Republicans were loath to give up their most potent weapon.

To bond investors watching all this, it is a little like a teen-ager threatening to run away from home and never return, unless he is allowed to stay out late on Saturday night. The threat is far out of proportion to the issues being debated.

Robert Sobel, a business history professor

Revolution? Chaos? What's the problem in Washington?

at Hofstra University, argues that French investors still like to own gold, and are still nervous about default, partly because the French revolutionary government repudiat-ed royal debt more than two centuries ago. "It's not something you forget," he said. The Treasury had a brush with default after the panic of 1893. In those days, gold stood behind the dollar, and the Government was required to pay out gold to anyone who wanted to buy it with dollars. At one point in 1894, there was not enough gold to cover checks that had been issued. The day was saved by J. P. Morgan, the investment banker, who sold Government bonds in Europe to buyers who promised not to seek gold from the United States.

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But Mr. Engler argues that governors govern best when the Feds leave them alone. He wants welfare and other programs converted to lump sum payments than sending checks. Poor people need training. Their childreo need baby-sitters. Their employers often demand subsidies. According to the Congressional Budget Of-

James Talent, a Missouri Republican and a leader of the illegitimacy camp. A more and less liberal chortling after decades of work program that will cover all of its run a program and she doesn't."

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to work, like John is saying, it's going to be very expensive," said Representative

"If you're going to say everyone is going

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telling experiment may sooo be under way Federal inaction. "She's out on the fringe in Wisconsin, which is planning a similar left," he said. "I'm in the mainstream. I

A Phantom Default

By some reckonings, there was a real default on Treasury obligations during the Depression - a default that was oever rectified. The Government decided that devaluing the dollar would help the economy, and that meant breaking the promise that the dollars used to pay off bonds would be worth a constant amount in gold. "They unilaterally changed the terms and conditions on which they would repay the money," said David Beers, a managing director of Standard & Poor's. "That's a default." The fact that the Supreme Court, on a 5-to-4 vote, upheld the decision does not change that fact, he argues.

The Federal Government had a brush with default last fall. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin-warned that default was imminent before he decided that he could legally raid some trust funds to put off default. Some Republicans, furious that he had frustrated their tactic of using default to pressure President Clinton, talked of impeaching Mr. Rubin. How dare the Treasury Secretary not let the Government default? Last week, Mr. Rubin said his hat was out

of rabbits, and that if Congress did not raise the debt ceiling by Feb. 29, the United States would default. Republican leaders said they would avert default, but it was clear they expected to get something out of President Clinton in return. Moody's Investors Serv-Ice, another bond rating service, said it was thinking about lowering the Government's bond rating.

Nonetheless, interest rates on Government borrowings have not gone up much in recent weeks, a fact some Republicans have seized on. "No one seriously believes the U.S. cannot pay it's debts," said Jeffrey S. Given, an economist with the Congressional Joint Economic Committee who argues that rates would have skyrocketed if people were alarmed about a possible default

At a minimum, default is no longer unthinkable. But if there is a default, it is something that will not soon be forgotten. Treasury bills, which are short-term Government borrowings, would no longer be viewed so confidently as risk-free investments. That could force the Treasury to pay more to borrow even after the Government has resumed meeting its obligations, making it harder to lower the deficit. And cutting the deficit, after all, was the goal in playing chicken with the Federal debt.

It's All in the Ear of the Beholder

By TODD S. PURDUM

WASHINGTON HE President stood at the rostrum of the House of Representatives, supporting a tax credit for families with children, and outlining five goals for the American people, from rais-ing the standard of living to preserving natural resources.

"We are determined that every citizen of this nation shall have an equal right and equal opportunity to grow in wisdom and in stature and to take his place in the control of his nation's destiny," the President said. The President stood at the rostrum of the House of Representatives, supporting a tax credit for families with children, and outlining seven challenges for the American people, from raising the minimum wage to preserving the environment.

"Our goal must be to enable all our people to make the most of their own lives with stronger families, more educational opportunity, economic security, safer streets, a cleaner environment and a safer world," the President said.

The first President was Harry S. Truman, in his 1948 State of the Union address, at the beginning of his comeback election year. The secood was Bill Clinton at the beginning of what he hopes will be his own comeback last week.

The Annual Ritual

Their situations are different. But their similar sentiments show a truth of modero American political ritual: Presidents come and Presidents go, but the State of the Union speech just keeps rolling along.

"it's a big old showboat going down the river," said Peggy Noonan, who helped write her share of speeches for Ronald Reagan in the 1980's. "It's not the fastest thing, or the prettiest, but when it's going by, everybody stops and watches."

Yet the speech has become remarkable not nearly so much for what is said as for how It is heard, and how it projects against the landscape. And it is heard and seen very differently from year to year.

For example, the laundry list of priorities in Mr. Clinton's hourlong speech last



server The New York Tunes Cheering Democrats, left, and subdued Republicans, right, played their roles in the annual State of the Union ritual.

Tuesday — which was generally praised — was oearly identical to the list in his 81minute marathon of last year - which was panned by the pundits, though not the public. In both, he called for overhauling welfare and campaign finance laws, consolidating Federal job training programs, restoring civility and cracking down on teenage pregnancy and violence in the media, often in nearly the same words. So what was the difference, besides 20

minutes? The biggest was that Mr. Clinton's political fortunes have revived a good deal in the last 12 months, even as those of the Republican Congress have stalled.

Yet the President's very repetition also shows the limits of his power. He recited his agenda for the umpteenth time in part because so much of it remains unachieved at the hands of hostile Congresses (Republican and Democratic).

Then, too, in an age of increasingly short attention spans, repetition is good politics. The White House assumes that hardly anyone remembers the details of last year's speech, and it knows that this year's was the last time that Mr. Clinton will have such a purely Presidential platform before the campaign begins in earnest. So he took his best shot replaying his greatest hits; the line about violence in the media was one of the highest-scoring sections in public opinion surveys after the speech last year, so why not give it another whirl?

The Constitution merely requires that the President report annually to Congress, not that he do so in person, and Thomas Jefferson began a century-long tradition of sending only written messages. But Woodrow Wilson, the professor-turned-politician and master rhetorician, revived the personal appearance in 1913, and the custom has been followed by every President since.

Offering Great Thoughts

The State of the Union has been used for great statecraft. James Monroe used one of his to announce the Monroe Doctrine, warning European powers to keep their hands off the Americas. Theodore Roosevelt used his first to launch his campaign against rapacious big business.

But more often, in the modern era, the address has been the occasion for dutiful enumeration of priorities. In the television era, the occasion has become something else: the single most splendid setting (outside the inaugural) for displaying the President in all his Presidentiality. As such, it is seldom a speechwriter's dream.

"I always regarded it as something of a chore," said Theodore C. Sorenson, who labored on President Kennedy's. "It seems

to have substantially evolved as a ritual from where it was 35 years ago, with the clearest change being the gimmickry of having a bero seated in the gallery with the First Lady, which began with Reagan. I guess it's high drama, but whether it adds to the dignity, I don't know." Mr. Sorenson said Mr. Clinton's deftest

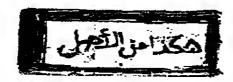
trick was to borrow Republican notions on crime and values, then embrace them with his own caveats so as to make them his own. "It made it clear that the Clinton position was not a difference in objective or principle so much as it was a difference in methods and means," Mr. Sorenson said, "and the public's increasingly coming around to his point of view."

Ms. Noonan, as befits a Republican, gave the President points for trying, but mostly dismissed the speech as remarkable for its unremarkability.

"Last year's. State of the Union was actually historically bad," she said. "This time, he came on, be kept himself to an hour, and he kept himself together and he seemed to stay with his text. And he seemed, God bless him, if no one else had faith in what he was saying, he had faith in

"It'll go into the big books of State of the Union addresses," she predicted, "and history will never again refer to it."

Chuck Yeas



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The Nation Now, How Low Can Crime Go?

By CLIFFORD KRAUSS

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" last, we have begun to find a way to reduce crime," President Clinton proclaimed in his State of the Union address last week. He was only the latest to join a chorus of selfcongratulation heard from cities around the country.

Seattle's murder rate dropped by 32 percent last year, St. Louis's by 18 percent. New York's decline in major crimes, including a two-year, 40 percent plunge in homicides, is so liberating that Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani can consider a cut of 1,000 officers in the 38,000-member force to save the city \$30 million.

With policing becoming more effective, the crack-cocaine epidemic subsiding, and longer prison sentences incapacitating offenders, criminologists expect that crime rates may continue to head lower for a few more years, even if more slowly,

But looked at from a longer view, the country continues to suffer through the most prolonged crime wave since the days of the wild West - not only homicide, which is the most reliably reported crime, but also such offenses as robbery and burglary.

Between World War II and 1963. the nation's homicide rate hovered between four and five murders for every 100,000 people. It started climbing in 1964 and by 1973 had reached nearly 10 for every 100,000 people. Since 1973, the rate has oscillated between 8 and 10 per 100,000 people.

New York's tally of 1,182 murders last year is a wonder to behold compared to the 2,245 reported as recently as 1990, despite minimal population change; it was enough to propel Police Commissioner William J. Bratton onto the cover of Time magazine. But compared to the 390 murders in 1960, or even the 986 in 1968, the murder rate in 1995 still conjures

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images of Dodge City. The provocative "law and order" campaigns of George Wallace and Richard Nixon in 1968 came at a time when crime reached, proportions that we now either seem to consider acceptable or intractable. "Everyone is crowing about what

is going on in New York," said Lawrence M. Friedman, a historian of criminal justice at Stanford University Law School, "but we remain at a very high platean."

Reversible Rates

Can the country return to the crime rates of the Eisenhower and Kennedy years? And if it cannot, what has made the march of crime so difficult to reverse?

If American history is any guide, crime waves are reversible. When Johnny came marching home again after the Civil War - a period at least as revolutionary as the 1960's - he faced joblessness and he all too often took out his frustrations with his new-found martial skills. But the country's cities calmed by the mid-1870's. The upswing of violent crime accompanying the wave of immigration at the turn of the century, and then Prohibition in the 1920's, was much longer lasting, but it quickly

Most criminologists, however, are doubtful that a similar criminal retreat will occur again because the current crime wave has many more and more intractable causes.

One reason crime went up sharply in the 1960's was that an extraordinarily large number of young men, born immediately after World War II, grew into their crime-prope years. That would explain, at least in part, the upward surge in the homicide rate between 1963 and 1973 though it does not explain the per-

sistence of the high rates ever since; in New York, crime rose in the late 1980's as the oumber of teen-agers declined.

Some say the primary cause for the lasting increase in violence is the proliferation of guns. Juvenile delinquents wielded switchblades in the 1950's, graduated to Saturday night specials in the 1960's and took up 9millimeter semi-automatic handguns and even assault rifles in the late 1980's.

Some contend that the proliferatioo of guns cannot fully explain the crime increases, noting the surges in burglary, auto theft and grand larceny - crimes commooly committed without firepower. This argument usually notes, too, that 70 percent of the nation's violent juvenile prisoo population comes from brokeo families, implicating a slew of social dislocations that accelerated in the 1960's.

No.Turning Back

Crime rates, perhaps even more to the breakdown of respect for authan such other indicamrs as the birth and inflation rates, can reflect a wide range of social and economic conditions. But the fact that the murder rate has more than doubled since 1963 does out mean that the society is doubly worse off. Crime rates are just another indication of how much the society has changed - some ways for the bad; some, arguably, for the good.

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Through the 1950's and 1960's, television widened the national audience for many forms of culture, but many social scientists suggest that by replacing dinner conversation with westerns and police shows it glorified violence and helped erode family cohesion. Likewise, the sexual revolution and the destigmatization of divorce and illegitimacy were liberating for some and destructive for others.

"Crime is a barometer of social disorganization," said Professor Friedman. No group has felt that barometer

ty for the black middle class to escape the ghetto - thereby removing an important force of social control there." That development became interwoven with the flight of manufacturing jobs from the inner cities and the surge in heroin use. **Decades of Drugs**

thority and it provided the opportuni-

Drug crimes also rose among whites, of course, as experimentation with ballucinogens and amphetamines gave way to the upscale cocaine epidemic of the late 1970's and 1980's. While drug use is less fashionable now, heroin appears to be gaining a mystique in some of the same social circles.

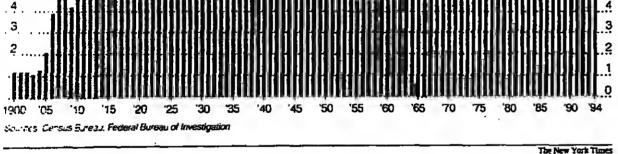
James Q. Wilson, a professor at the University of California at Los Angeles, argues that the increases in crime rates since the early 60's, in the United States as in most of the industrialized world, represent "the completion of the West's long-term



New York's homicide body count has swung from 390 in 1960 to 2,245 in 1990 and down to 1,182 last year. Above, a murder in the Bronx, 1994.

ran out in the early 1930's.

A Century of Murder Rate per 100,000 people in the United States.



'We can't go back to 1963," said James Alan Fox, a criminologist at Northeastern University, "in terms of removing millions of guns from the streets, in terms of bringing back the traditional American family, in terms of restoring religion to its former prominence, in terms of restoring educational institutions to their former prominence, in terms of changing the way we portray crime in the media."

more than blacks. About half of the prison population is black, according to the Justice Department. Victimization rates are also high in black communities; in about 80 percent of all serious crimes, the offender and victim are of the same race.

Along with all the good that the civil rights movement achieved in the 1960's, Alfred Blumstein, a criminologisı at Carnegie Mellon University, ooted that it also "contributed

effort to emancipate the individual. freeing people from the controls of family, neighborhood, schools, villages."

To return to the levels of the 1950's, Mr. Wilson said, "you would either have to invest so massively in law enforcement as to strain our fiscal and constitutional restrictions or abandon our commitment to the emancipated individual and return to a quite different culture."

To the Right Stuff and Back

By WILLIAM J. BROAD

DECADE after the Challenger disaster, it is easy to think of Christa McAuliffe as an aberration, as NASA's sole attempt to get beyond the right-stuff syndrome, to enlarge the boundaries of the astronaut corps. The high-school teacher from Concord, N. H., who climbed aboard the space shuttle Challenger at Cape Canaveral on the cold morning of Jan. 28, 1986, hoped to share what she called "the ultimate field trip" with the nation's children, instructing them on the wonders of weightlessness and the riddles of the starry unknown. She seemed to symbolize a first step in demystifying space travel and opening the experience to all people.

But she was not the first. Since Americans began blasting into space 35 years ago, the definition of what it takes to be an astronaut has gone through slow cycles of change, not unlike fashion. There have been times when NASA favored the idea that only the macho could be astronauts and times when it favored the idea that anyone could be. After the Challenger disaster, NASA dropped the democratic ideal of space travel. But now, realistically or not, NASA is starting to talk once again about



Chuck Yeager had the right stuff.

sending new generations of neophytes into orbit, including tourists. At the start of the space program, as recount-

ed in Tom Wolfe's classic book "The Right Stuff," or more recently in the movie "Apollo 13," the ideal astronaut was a skilled fighter jock with steely nerves, always cool, always laconic. The test and fighter pilots who worked for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration loved risk. But the debut in 1982 of the winged spaceships changed all that. With the advent of reusable shuttles, a myth

of ordinariness took hold. At a ceremony on July 4, 1982, President Ronald Reagan hailed the shuttle fleet as operational after only four test flights. Do-or-die astronauts were joined by astronauts of increasing diversity — a Saudi prince, a Mexican engineer, a French pilot. In 1985 Senator Jake Garn soared into space, and in 1986, on the eve of the Challenger disaster, so did Representative Bill Nelson, then chairman of the House space subcommittee, which oversaw NASA's budget. Many reporters covering the Challenger launch were candidates in NASA's journalist-in-space program.

Challenger's seven crew members epitomized the trend toward diversity. One was black. One was Asian-American. Two were women. Three were space rookies, eager to explore the high frontier and talk about mankind's destiny in space. Among the 2,500 guests invited by NASA to attend the liftoff were 112 teachers, finalists from the shuttle competition. who were to spread the word about space exploration. More than 800 reporters wanted to cover the mission, a huge surge from past flights. For NASA, it was very good stuff indeed.

Back to Basics

But the Challenger disaster, in which all seven astronauts died, threw the agency back to basics. In 1988, the first shuttle crew to return to orbit was a study in the right stuff - male, white, ex-military, macho. The commander of the shuttle, Capt. Frederick H. Hanck of the Navy, had flown 114 combat sorties in Southeast Asia and on one occasion had bailed out of a burning jet seconds before it crashed. "It was interesting," he once recalled in an interview, clearly relishing the memory of risk.

Since the Challenger disaster, NASA has successfully flown 49 shutle missions, has regained confidence and has begun, once again, to broaden its definition of a good astronaut. Though members of the public are still ruled out, women and foreigners fly often. Increasingly, the White House uses the shuttle as a patronage tool. In 1994, when President Clinton promised to send into orbit an astronaut from the Ukraine, he was trying to persuade the Ukraine to return its nuclear arms to Moscow. And last month, when Mr. Clinton announced a plan to invite astronauts from Israel along the next shuttle flight, he was symbolically backing up an ally engaged in a delicate peace process...

Shuttle Diplomacy

Today, NASA is planning a new generation of reusable spaceships that could make their debut around 2005 and that are supposed to approach the kind of reliability that airlines enjoy. As the United States becomes the main link to an international space outpost that is to supposed to orbit from 1997 to at least 2012, filled with rotating crews of scientists from America, Russia, Europe, Canada, Japan, Israel and other nations, safety becomes a matter of political necessity as well as national pride. And the romance of the right stuff becomes a thing of the past.

But what if the new spaceship fails to measure up to the sales pitch, as was clearly the case with the nation's \$65 billion fleet of shuttles? Then it's time for yet another round of the right Stuff.



Keith Meyers/The New York Times Christa McAuliffe had the common touch.

A Bribe Is a Bribe Unless It Isn't

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ings," Mr. Braod said.

But one serious scandal that captures the nation's attention could push the public perception of campaign contributions closer to bribery, Mr. Brand said. "The law, unfortunately, in this town is scandal driven," be said. "If the facts were good enough and egregious enough, some prosecutor will be emboldened."

Senator Bob Packwood, the Oregon Republican who resigned amid a sexual harassment scandal, might have provided such a case had he stayed on, Mr. Brand said. The Senator's diaries contained details of favors done for donors and lobbyists, including supporting a tax measure that the Shell Oil Company wanted. Meanwhile, the Shell lobbyist was raising funds for Mr. Packwood

Despite the onus of pressing a hribery charge in relation to a campaign contribution, such cases are not unknown. In recent years an elaborate sting by the Federal authorities in Sacramento led m the convictions of five legislators on racketeering charges that included taking contributions in return for supporting a piece of legislation. The authorities introduced a fake hill in the legislature that was supposed to give a bogus company the right to issue industrial bonds. Agents posing as lobbyists then contacted legislators anticipating that some might request bribes. Although some did, a number asked for campaign contributions. The prosecutors wondered whether to go ahead with cases that would be difficult to prove.

Hard to Prove

The courts have struggled with the campaign-contribution issue for years. In 1991, in the case of a West Virginia politician the Supreme Court ruled that prosecutors had to show an explicit connection between the donation and an official act.

"These are tough cases to prove," said George L. O'Connell, the former United States Attorney in Sacramenm who prosecuted the bribery cases. "We were in the position of passing on the prosecution of what clearly were bribes." The Government decided to prosecute and the legislators were convicted.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals agreed with Mr. O'Connell's argument that when the Supreme Court demanded "explicit" evidence of a quid pro quo, it did not necessarily mean "expressed." The politicians

A Federal sting caught legislators who traded votes for bribes --- or contributions.

could not escape liability with "winks and nods" instead of words, the court said.

Even with the more liberal standard, elected officials need not fear a flood of prosecutions. Such cases rely heavily on undercover operations or the testimony of at least one participant to the deal, testimooy that is very difficult to get, Mr. O'Connell said.

"There is a code of silence among the people who are participants in the political culture that astonished me at the time, and continues to astonish me," he said. The most a prosecutor can hope to do, he said, is press the occasional case as a warning to others.

The criminal law is an extremely blunt instrument for obtaining political reform," Mr. O'Connell said. "You cannot reform a system by prosecuting people."

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The World

Survival and Suicide in Russia's Shadow

By YO'AV KARNY

N the fall of 1994, shortly before Russia attacked Chechnya to smother its rebellion, I called on Ahmed Mudarov, in a small village outside of Grozny, the Chechen capital. Mr. Mudarov had just turned 102, or so said his passport. A Chechen friend who introduced me whispered in my ear: "He's cheating. He's actually 106."

Mr. Mudarov, surprisingly erect and lucid, talked about a day in February 1944, when Soviet officers came knocking, Stalin's decree in hand. The entire Chechen nation was to be deported to Central Asia, for collective "collaboration" with Nazi Germa-ny. Five of Mr. Mudarov's children, too sick to travel, were executed on the spot. Calmiy, he related how one son, bleeding to death, begged for his help. "I cannot help," replied the father, who was wounded but survived, and was then deported himself. His wife and last surviving child vanished in exile.

The deportation technique - squeezing a whole nation into sealed cattle cars, with no water or food, and transferring it to the "East," ostensibly for "resettlement" but with the clear hope of wiping it out -

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Elder, since killed in war, leads the ritual above.

was a horror that could only stir an Israeli Jew like me. I had been hrought up to believe that oursing the memory of ancient heroism, however suicidal, was the way to exorcise the shame of being shipped in cattle cars. Who could better understand Chechen intransigence than a member of what Israelis used to call "the generation of Holocaust and Redemption?"

And yet, unlike the Jews, the Chechens are still seeking independent nationhood along with public recognition that they are the victims of genocide. And the Russian fury still being unleashed against them suggests that the Russians, unlike the Germans, have few guilt feelings.

The survivors of Stalin's deportation were finally allowed to return 13 years later, under Khrushchev, having lost in the process perhaps one-third of the original population of 450,000. Mr. Mudarov, now the oldest surviving deportee, was nearly 70 when he remarried, and went on to father eight more children. The entire nation, disarmed and demoralized, opted for a nonviolent form of defiance: It was busy reproducing, a traditional preparation for the next battle.

Y journey to Chechnya took place as the Chechens were marking the 50th anniversary of their deportation. Street placards displayed the number bome and a wailing wolf, a national Chechen symbol I wanted to find out whether the memory of their tribulations had injected a greater amount of realism into Chechen veins, whether they might have mellowed to the point of acknowledging that they are doomed to live in Russia's shadow.

Russia was making increasingly threatening noises, demanding the removal of President Dzhokhar M. Dudayev, who in 1991 proclaimed Chechen independence. One day, as I was talking to a crowd of men in Grozny's main square, one, tall and trim, wearing a hlack rimmed hat, suddenly drew a long Caucasian dagger, waved it, and exclaimed: "I will aim this at the Russian tanks, if they dare come." "What do you think would happen," I asked in-

credulously, "if you do that?" The man shot back: "I will die. I, and the entire nation with me." Exasperated, I turned to the crowd and said: "I have read a good deal about your history. For two centuries you have been dying, and dying, and dying. Hasn't the time come to start living?" The crowd roared disap-provingly. "No one lets us," snapped an elderly man.

I videotaped the scene, and recently watched it again. What seemed at the time a hollow threat has turned out to be a statement of fact. Clearly, the Chechens have been using more than daggers. But their acts of defiance, so costly to Russia's army, only reaffirm the national bent toward suicidal heroism.

In Grozny I also met an avowed opponent of the Dudayev regime, Shamil Benno, a Chechen born in Jordan in 1959. Mr. Benno is a soft-spoken intellectual whose master's thesis was devoted to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He had resigned his post as Mr. Dudayev's first Foreign Minister and joined the growing civilian opposition to a President known for his brutal



Sufism, a mystical branch of Islam, helps unify the Chechens, as in this dance ritual in prewar Grozny.

intolerance of political dissent. Mr. Benno is no romantic, and he doesn't seek to glorify his people's stubbornness. But he knows their history.

"Have you ever seen an ancient society such as ours," he asked, "whose members never take their hats off when they meet? Do you know why? Because leaving the hat on is a matter of exercising our freedom. Ours was one of very few societies which, as early as the 15th century, did away with social stratificatioo and installed complete egalitarianism: no kings, no princes, no aristocrats, no hats off."

Mr. Benno told of his first encounter with American visitors while he was Foreign Minister. "They handed me two gifts -- the Yellow Pages of the Washington political establishment and a collection of the Federalists' writings. I thanked them for the phone directory. As for the Federalists, I told them we had had a long experience with a federation."

"The only federal choice the Russians had ever offered us," he added, "was between assimilation and annihilation."

A century earlier, Mr. Benno's family and others turned down an opportunity to become Russians, departed by foot, and settled in the desert east of the Jordan River. In 1922, the Chechens became nation builders for the new country Britain was creating there, and quite a few Bennos rose to prominence in Jordanian government service, including Mr. Benno's father. Still, in 1970 he decided it was time to go home, to a Chechnya he had never seen.

The Chechens of Jordan offer a most interesting lesson in survival against long odds. Although a mere ... 12,000 in a country of nearly 4 million, most still speak

their ancestral language, they still tend to marry within the Chechen community, and they continuously long for the "daymokhk" or fatherland.

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One night, in a house overlooking Amman, I met a few leaders of their community. After a long interview, they had a question for me: "How could we make our case better known to Americans?" I advised them to talk less about their nation's heroism and more about its suffering. They might want to capitalize on Americans' traditional sympathy for the underdog. My hosts, some of them graduates of American universities, declined. "We can never be helpless victims," said one. "We are Chechen."

I fell silent. I remembered what I had been told in Grozny by the young head of Chechnya's national archives, when I asked him about "the Chechen suicidal propensities." He smiled faintly and said in a resigned tone,"A member of a different culture always finds it difficult to understand why it is that people who know they are bound to lose the battle would still wage a war against a much superior enemy."

He produced a European edition of "The Gulag Archipelago," by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, and read aloud its reference to the Chechens: "Only one nation refused to accept the psychology of submission." These people, the text continued, never "tried to be of service or to please the authorities ... The authorities who owned the country for 30 years could not force them to respect their laws."

The professor looked at me and added: "You may never be able to understand this. Spartacus and Garibaldi, Tolstoy and Lord Byron would have understood it quite easily."

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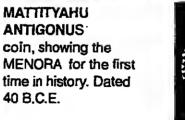
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Picking Out a Russian

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faced, heart-damaged, Chechnya-wounded Mr. Yeltsin.

Parsed, Mr. Christopher's statement means that Mr. Yeltsin or any other Russian President should stay a reformer if he wants a good relationship with the United States, let alone \$9 billion in needed loans over three years from a suddenly panicky International Monetary Fund.

The problem, though, is complicated. There is confusion over what the United States believes anymore about Russia, besides understanding that a President Gen-nadi Zyuganov, the head of the Communist Party, or a President Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the operatic ultranationalist, would be worse than a President Yeltsin in whatever incarnation.

Peaceful, at the Least

At the very minimum, American interests lie in a militarily peaceful Russia with no forceful designs on its newly independent neighbors of the "near abroad," let alone elsewhere. An economically stable Russia is considered a less dangerous country. So is a Russia willing to cooperate on nuclear nonproliferation and arms control. But all this is far from the kind of "Marshall Plan" alliance that some in both countries thought possible when the Sovjet Union collapsed.

Clinton Administration officials, after early euphoria about "partnership," have steadily diluted the definition of "reform". and "reformer" to match Mr. Yeltsin's nowaccelerated shift away from Western-style market economics. The American notion of "reform" is now so stretched, like an old elastic band, that it can encompass almost anyone who believes in keeping inflation below hyperinflation, won't renationalize everything and thinks it useful to have cooperative relations with the United States. Even so, that definition can only cover three potential candidates: Mr. Yeltsin; his prime minister, Viktor Chernomyrdin, who says he won't run if Mr. Yeltsin does; and Grigory A. Yavlinsky, the young economist officially nominated yesterday by the liberal Yabloko party, which got only 6.9 percent of the popular vote in last month's parliamentary elections. American officials say hopefully that Mr.

Yeltsin is just tacking for political reasons, to try against the odds to win re-election in June. That message - don't worry, be happy - will be repeated this weekend when Mr. Chernomyrdin comes to Washington for his regular semiannual meeting with Vice President Al Gore.

To win, however, Mr. Yeltsin must unite the very reformers the United States says it

supports, but who have come to despise Mr. Yeltsin even before his latest self-definition as a semi-Communist caudillo.

Mr. Yavlinsky, who better fits anyone's definition of a reformer, is simply judged unable to win. American officials think that even running against the bland Mr. Zyu-ganov in a second-round runoff between the two top finishers, Mr. Yavlinksy would lose. So a big part of Mr. Yeltsin's task, should he make the second-round runoff, will he to attract Yavlinsky voters.

This is what Mr. Sestanovich calls "the clothespin vote": "While people are holding their noses, do they vote for the Communists or for Yeltsin?"

The political reality is that a vote for Yavlinsky is likely to be one that keeps Yeltsin out of second place for the runoff," Mr. Sestanovich says. And the winner of the second round is likely to be decided by the disappointed supporters of Mr. Yavlinsky on one hand and Mr. Zhirinovsky on the other. "So how does Yeltsin appeal to both of these different voters at the same time?"

Mr. Yeltsin seems to think that Yavlinsky voters, and those who favor other reformers, like the former Prime Minister, Yegor Gaidar, and the sparky young governor of the Nizhny Novgorod region, Borls Nem-tsov, have nowhere else to go. But Mr. Sestanovich is not so sure.

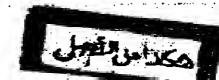
As the army rampages so ineffectively around Chechnya, Mr. Yeltsin is a much less reassuring figure than before. His problems of health and alcohol, his episodes of puzzling and embarrassing behavior, compound the damage. And no one knows how much longer he will live.

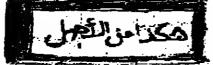
Many American officials wonder whether Mr. Yeltsin can even make it to the final round, and they know their public embrace, like the beautiful, poisoned dress Medea gave to Jason's bride, could destroy him.

"Our influence over the election is very limited," one senior Administration official said a bit wanly. "And what we have may in fact be harmful."

That's Democracy

Mr. Goble of the Potomac Foundation is dismissive of such hand-wringing. "If we believe Russia is a democracy, as the Clinton Administration keeps saying it is, then we have to accept the verdict of the voters." In many ways, he too is rooting for Mr. Yeltsin. "But I don't presume to know, if Yeltsin is President a year from now, what Yeltsin will be," he said. "In 10 years he's gone through more lives than a cat. He's not a democrat but a populist. And we do him and Russia an enormous disservice by proclaiming that everything he does is, by definition, democratic."





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WEEKLY REVIEW

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In Iran, Quiet Little Films Are Speaking Volumes

express a range of opinion. What is

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By GERALDINE BROOKS

en 7-year-old Razieh, disobeying her mother, goes to watch some snake charmers, a neighborhood woman chides her for being where girls aren't supposed to be. Razieb, the character at the center of "The White Balloon," replies, "1 wanted to see what it was that was not good for me to watch.'

Like many current Iranian films, "The White Balloon" creeps to the very edge of what Iran's censors consider good to watch. Just beneath the surface of its deceptively simple story lies a catalogue of Iranian social ills, among them poverty, the tension between the pre- and postrevolutionary generation, racial prejudice and even hints of child abuse.

Earlier this month, in protest over a United States Government decision to support a \$20 million covert plan against the Iranian Government, Iran tried to withdraw "The White Balloon" as its official eotry in the best foreign-language film category for the Academy Awards. But the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is ignoring Iran's demand. "The film was delivered here, it's eligible and we're going to screen it," says Bruce Davis, executive director of the Academy.

The attention may end up beloing "The White Balloon," which is up against 40 other entrants in its category. And by leaving the film in competition, the Academy may have kept Iran from gagging a star witness in its own defense. Jafar Panahi's gentle movie, which opeoed on Wednesday, is itself an eloquent protest against outdated United States stereotyping of Iranians as a nation of wild-eyed Islamic extremists.

The people of "The White Balloon" are neighborhood folks: shopkeepers and housewives concerned with getting the next meal on the table and arriving at the in-laws' place on time. In this, and in "The Jar," an Iranian film that played in New York last year about attempts to repair a cracked water jar at an impoverished desert school, small evenus become the stage on which larger issues are played out. Social criticism is thus possible in

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the Camera d'Or for best first feawell publicized the film's release will ture film at the 1995 Cannes Film Festival, is striking in its almost Even with these restrictions, entirely secular portrayal of Iranian though, Iranian films remain surdaily life. Apart from an early scene prisingly severe on the subjects of in which a character passes a Hus-Government failures and social malseinia-Shiite prayer place, from aise. Like the Iranian press, which is which voices rise and fall, blessing allowed to be more critical than is the prophet Mohammed, the film typical in other Middle Eastern contains no reference to Islam. countries, movies too are allowed to

The action takes place on the eve of the Persian feast of Nowruz. After the revolution, the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, trying to elevate the importance of religious holidays, discouraged observance of this pre-lslamic New Year festival. But Shiite Islam's gloomy commemorations of martyrdom couldn't vanquish Nowruz. Despite harassment, Iranians clung to their joyful spring feast, which takes place on the equinox. These days it is observed with as much verve as ever.

alization of Islamic idealists in a For Nowruz, Iranians clean house, society still run by a careless rich bathe carefully and don new clothes elite. Or they may simply be artists who have stayed to fight for the - symbolic rituals in which they slough off any lingering ills from the cultural soul of their country rather old year. The table is decorated with than emigrating in search of a more a mirror, candle and white foods. Light, fire and white are all repre-Iranian films, especially those by sentative of God in Zoroastrianism, the ancient Persian religion. In an echo of the ceremonial foods of the Olive Trees," have been increasing-Jewish springtime Passover table, Persians assemble seven foods tivals. (Mr. Kiarostaml wrote the screenplay for "The White Balwhose names begin with the letter S, loon.") lo April the Walter Reade like sabzi — green herbs symbolizing nature's springtime rebirth. Theater in New York will begin a There must also be a goldfish bowl, with the goldfish representing the Kiarostami's films and showcase mystery and joy of life.

It is the quest of Razieh (played by reveled in such attention. Iran's Aida Mohammadkhani) for a plump 'dancing" goldfish that propels the leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, has action of "The White Balloon."

noted that Western film juries often give prizes to movies that show Iranian films often have child protagonists, to avold the mine field of Iran's poverty and distress. Of course, the same juries give prizes Islamic restrictions oo the portrayal mainly to Western films that simiof adult male-female relationships. larly show their society's ills. One Actors portraying a married couple, example with which the Ayatollah for instance, cannot touch each other on screen unless they are also mar-Khamenet may be familiar is "Dances With Wolves," the 1990 Osried in real life because it is a violacar winner for best picture, director, tion of Islam for unrelated men and women to touch. And actresses, like screenplay, original score, cinematography, editing and sound recordall Iranian women over the age of 9. ing. It also happens to be one of the must cover all the hair and curves of few American films that were al. the body, even in scenes depicting cheran. It. Drivate moments in the bon



"The Jar," above, an Iranian film, tells a simple story about a cracked water jar at a school; Tahereh Ladania, right, appears in "Through the Olive Trees," a film by Abbas Kiarostami, who wrote the screenplay for "The White Balloon."

in real life, every woman sheds her Islamic coverings. In addition, there cannot be any extended close-ups of attractive actresses, because that might be construed as exploiting female beauty.

With the 7-year-old star of "The White Balloon," this isn't an issue. The child, with her gap-toothed smile and tragic eyes, gives an incandescent performance. A critic for The Hollywood Reporter says she "displays a range of emotions that would stymie Meryl Streep."

Razieh oags her mother into letting her buy the goldfish, then accidentally drops the money down a sidewalk grate and persuades various passers-by to help her retrieve it. Alternately kvetching and sobbing, then lit up with hope and delight, Razieh has an intensity that drags the viewer back into the sometimes terrible realm of childhood, where the loss of a few dollars can be a catastropbe.

The film is shot almost entirely in tight frames that mimic a child'seye view of the world; it is unpanoramic, with the focal point always on what is close and immediate. At times the frames have the intimate feel of Persian miniatures, with Teheran's weathered mud bricks providing the geometrically patterned background and Impassive onlookers gazing from the sidelines at the doings of the passionate protago-

The film works almost flawlessly at its superficial level, re-creating the ardent intensity of childhood in a sometimes oblivious adult world. But there is so much more going on here. Each of Razieh's encounters contains a small, ominous aside. Together these add up to a profile of the quiet desperation of ordinary Iranian lives in a society ravaged by revolution, war and international isolation.

In the early scenes, Razieh's nagging is as relentlessly maddening as a midnight car alarm. It is evident that her mother (played by Fereshteh Sadr Orfani), bustling to finish the shopping and cleaning in time for the New Year feast, is a victim of holiday stress. For one thing, she can't afford new shoes for her son the Nowruz equivalent of oot being able to provide the major item on a Christmas list. For another, her husband, who appears in the film only as a bellowing voice, flinging soap and curses from the bathroom, keeps up a constant flow of distracting demands.

Like many economically struggling Teheranis, the meter-reader busband has a second job. But what be does to make eods meet is kept secret because It is somchow shameful or illicit.

· Economic hardship is explored again when Razieh meets a lonely. young conscript from the provinces



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who can't get home for New Year because he lacks the bus fare. Other social pressures emerge. An elderly tailor is intimidated by a young client of the post-revolutionary geoeration who knows how to use the new system against the old-timers. A young Afghan refugee is abused, used, then thanklessly abandoned in the film's haunting final scene. And there is a suggestion that Razieh's father may have punched her hrother in the face.

Perhaps to emphasize the characters' isolation, almost everybody speaks with a non-Teherani accent. As in the film "Moscow on the Hudson." when every New Yorker turned out to be from someplace else, the Teheranis in "The White Balloon" speak Farsi accented by Polish, Turkish and thick regional patois.

Mr. Panahi, the 35-year-old director of "The White Balloon," was to have visited the United States to promote the film during its American release. Instead, friends say he is "location scouting" in the provinces and could not be reached to comment on the attempted withdrawal of his film from Oscar consideration.

Previously, Mr. Panahi has identified the sequence in which Razleh watches the snake charmers as one of his favorites. The scene, he said, was drawn straight from his own childhood, when he defied his father to sneak into "unsuitable" films. Like Razieh; he too "wanted to see what it was that was not good for me to wate

Existential Androids

By ER1C P. NASH

CIENCE fiction, which started out on the edges of literature and pulp fiction, has become more than mainstream; it is now an essential way of interpreting the world. Science-fiction films express everything from awe in the face of medical and technological advances to unease about the role of computers in our lives.

"Screamers," which opened Friday, is the latest film based on the work of the cult author Philip K. Dick, in this case a short story called "The Second Variety." Like "Blade Runner" and "Total Recall," two other films derived from his stories, "Screamers" goes to the heart of what constitutes humanity.

In "Screamers," directed by Christian Duguay and starring Peter Weller and Jennifer Rubin, two Earth armies engage in a relentless war of attrition on a far-flung mining colony of the future. The war is fought by machines called screamers: razor-tipped robotic horrors that hunt down anything with a heartbeat and rip it to shreds. In the world of Philip K. Dick, screamers not only self-replicate but also evolve into new and more lethal forms.

But beneath the bone-crunching violence of "Screamers" and other films based on Dick's stories lie profound questions about the nature of being and the quest for authenticity that may help explain the perpetual appeal of science-fiction films to adolescents.

Dick, who died of a stroke in 1982 at the age of 53, was a kind of pulpfiction Kafka, a propher, perhaps, or "precoz." as he would have called it. Largely confined to the literary ghetto that was science fiction until the 1970's, Dick became a cult figure after his quirky novel "Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?" was made into the film "Blade Runner" hy Ridley Scott in 1962. Even "Blade Runner took a while to catch on: it was a creacal and box-office failure, but its complex view of the manmachine relationship still serves as the prototype for newer films like Kathryn Bigelow's "Strange Days."

Ronald Shusett, who was the producer and a co-author of the screenplay of "Total Recall," knows something about Dick's peculiar odyssey into the cultural mainstream; it took Mr. Shusett 16 years to bring "Total Recall," based on the Dick story We Can Recall It for You Wholesale." from script to screen in 1990. The film was directed by Paul Ver-THEVER

cared about Philip K. Dick when I optioned the story in 1974 for \$1,000." Mr. Shusett recalls. It was another decade before Hollywood caught up to the story's premise of implanting an artificial memory into someone's mind. "Back then, people said, 'That's absurd,' " Mr. Shusett says. But the advent of virtual reality in the late 1980's convinced them to reconsider.

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Dan O'Bannon, the screenwriter who worked on "Screamers" and "Total Recall" as well as "Alien" and "Dark Star," says he, too, finds

A glimpse into how technology

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consciousness.

an appeal in the author's deeply splintered world view. "Dick's theme is the unreliability of reality," says Mr. O'Bannon. "His primary moral concern is the nature of what it is to be human."

Dick Himself was all too human. Everything in his life was excessive. He churned out 35 novels and 6 volumes of short stories in his lifetime (more were published posthumously, so almost everything Dick wrote is in print). He was married and divorced five times, consumed amphetamines like candy and lapsed into paranoid schizophrenic episodes. The last years of his life were dedicated to writing an uncategorizable and nearly impenetrable "Exegesis" of his thoughts about time and matter as a result of what he called a divine revelation in 1974. Dick died just before "Blade Runner" was released.

While science fiction is no surefire formula for success, it appeals to Hollywood as a way to tap into moviegoers' fears and fantasies about the future. Tellingly, of the 20 top-grossing films of all time, 11 are based on science-fiction themes.

"Science fiction is the broadest audience there," Mr. Shusett declares, "because it combines action movies with wild imagination and appeals to the intellectual as well as the visceral."

The surprise hit "Stargate," starring Kurt Russell, grossed more than \$70 million in 1994, whetting the audience's appetite for new science-

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"Nobody in Hollywood knew or fiction productions like "Screamers" and Terry Gilliam's critically acclaimed new time-travel epic, "12 Monkeys."

Forthcoming releases include the \$60 millioo thriller "Independence Day," by Roland Emmerich ("Stargate"), about an alien invasion of Earth, due in the summer, and "Mars Attacks!," Tim Burtoo's bomage to lurid science-fiction films of the 1950's, due in the fall. In April. Triumph Films, the company releasing "Screamers," will have "Solo," a film starring Mario Van Peebles as an android fighting machine.

Meanwhile, stories by Philip K. Dick are becoming botter properties in Hollywood. Oliver Stone has optioned one. Mr. O'Bannon another and Mr. Shusett is working on a production deal for one with Fox. William Gibson, who first envi-sioned the look and feel of cyberspace in his seminal oovel "Neuromancer" and whose short story "Johnny Mnemonic" was the basis of last year's film of the same name, says: "I can see Philip K. Dick's writing coming increasingly into its own. There was something wonderfully timeless about what he did."

The fascination with science fiction goes deeper than space opera. The subject of artificial beings striving to be human or perhaps emulating human passions raises philosophical questions about the human condition. Is "humanness" innate, or can it (should lt? must it?) be cultivated? Can a properly trained android find love and happiness? Science fiction also addresses the

delusional slipperiness of the con-crete world indeed, Mr. O'Bannon says he believes that the rapidity with which futuristic reality slips into new shapes, even new orders of being, may help prepare audiences for the disturbingly rapid change of modern-day reality.

"People who are lifetime readers of science fiction are somewhat less shellshocked by the rate of change, because they've anticipated some of this stuff," he says. As an example, Mr. O'Bannon notes that he easily adapted to hand-held calculators because he had already read about the devices in Isaac Asimov's 1957 story "The Feeling of Power," which anticipated them by two decades.

Mr. Gibson takes the concept a step further. "I think this different sense of consciousness because of changes in technology has already happened," he says. "That's the odd thing. We are already something vastly different from the lines of what nature put together. We can kind of glimpse it in our children, watching a child in full Nintendo 103 1965 Yardbirds hir 28 Streisand film interface."

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given huge new tax hreaks. When the progressive

income tax was enacted in 1913, its author, Cordell

Hull, a Tennessee Congressman who later became

Franklin Roosevelt's Secretary of State, captured

the spirit of the times hy vowing to stop "exempting

the Carnegies, the Vanderbilts, the Morgans and the

Rockefellers with their aggregated hillions of

hoarded wealth." That was a pretty good line then,

and it will rise again when Americans discover that

Mr. Forbes would be paying drastically reduced

taxes on income from his own \$400 million hoard.

paign trail, Mr. Forbes is often praised by people

who think the flat tax will at last force the rich to

pay more in taxes by getting rid of all their exemp-

tions. In a general election, Mr. Clinton would relish

as a favorable development for Mr. Dole, because

the rivals who might have directed their fire at the

front-runner were aiming elsewhere. But if Mr.

Forbe's wrecks the Dole campaign in the next few

weeks, the G.O.P. will have to look into the shallows

of its talent pool. Not since the Democrats' "seven

dwarfs" of 1988 has either party produced such a

er. Mr. Dole, in his painful speech last week, called

on voters to "face the fact that we cannot give in to

all of our own desires." He seemed to be saying that

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U.S. Worker Safety Net Isn't Too Much to Ask

To the Editor:

Re Thomas Geoghegan's "State of the Worker" (Op-Ed, Jan. 25): It's rare to see commentary pointing out that Western Europe's approach to social benefits for Its work force is not a failure but prevents working people from becoming like so many Americans - the working poor.

Since the demise of Communism, American opinion makers have looked at Europe's welfare states as validation that the American system is superior, although statistics and reality suggest this is not true.

Universal access to health services, adequate time off from work and social security programs are 'luxuries'' we have denied ourselves in the name of global competitiveness, downsizing and a flexible work force. We are paying a high price for these policies. Our allies long ago

What Childless Women Are Missing

Jeanne Safer (Op-Ed, Jan. 17) defends ber choice not to bave children and says she is happy with her decision. Though I am also a 50-year-old woman, 1 made the "choice" at a young age to become an Orthodox Jew, and 30 years later I am the mother of 14, I am the grandmother (so far) of I7 grandchildren. Calculating conservatively, I may have 100 grandchildren, become great-grandmother to 1,000 and live to embrace some great-great-grandchildren. In my community, 1 am not an exception but the norm.

I showed Ms. Safer's article to the women in my neighborhood. Upon reading the quote from the news correspondent who remarked, "Would I have been able m go into Afghanistan with the rebels if I'd bad a child waiting at home?", we fell on the floor laughing. Only a woman who bas never experienced the inner happiness of having her own children could make such a statement.

What a professional woman may accomplish cannot compare to what a mother does in one day in the life of

recognized that adequate social policies are a priority, and they seem committed to preserving the fundamentals of their system.

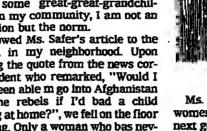
I have little doubt there will be much difference in the way American policy makers go about their husiness as a result of Mr. Geoghegan's piece, but at least an alternative view made It into a major media ANTEONY SKAGGS outlet. New York, Jan. 25, 1996

To the Editor:

Thomas Geoghegan's criticism of President Clinton's message to workers in his State of the Union Message (Op-Ed, Jan. 25) reflects a labor agenda that has held the Democratic Party captive.

As a Democrat who served in Congress for 12 years, I have seen too many in my party abandon the cen-





Ms. Safer says that she and the women like her are "models for the next generation." What next generation? They did not have children. I am a model for the next genera-

tion. Because of me there will be 1,000 great-grandchildren who were created, influenced, nurtured and NAOMI GOLDBERG loved by me. New York, Jan. 22, 1996

ter on labor-related issues. Democrats need to say to our union supporters that we no longer can ignore the workplace realities that face the 85 percent of American workers who don't belong to a union, especially when union interests run counter to the economic realities of the 21st century.

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While Mr. Geoghegan and other union advocates speak of restoring worker dignity, organized labor would continue to deny nonunion workers the right to participate with management in decision-making

The National Labor Relations Act makes employee involvement through decision-making with management illegal for nonunion workers. Corrective legislation has been introduced but faces a challenge in the Senate, where organized labor is urging a Democratic filibuster.

Democrats, while right to insist on a strong government role in assuring safeguards for workers, also need to recognize that the best labor policy is a strong economy. Democrats should be the party of the 21st century, embracing global markets, fiscal restraint and empowered employees. President Clinton had it right when he said: "When companies and workers work as a leam. they do better. And so does Amer-TIM PENNY ica.' Waseca, Minn., Jan. 25, 1996

To the Editor: American workers are in critical need of the union movement aggressively to check the rapid erosion of gains made over the years by the blood, sweat and tears of our parents. Efforts so far have been ineffective. The perception is that the contributions that employee and employer make to lucrative union welfare and pension funds are the pri-

mary concern of the unions. Corporate downsizing is often followed by a rise in the price of company stock and bonuses for top managers. Human misery seems to generate huge profits. How many union pension funds are invested in the same companies that orchestrate these disasters? ROBERT TAYLOR New York, Jan. 26, 1996



To the Editor: Re "In Japan, Even Toddlers Feel the Pressure to Excel" (news article, Jan. 23): You give no source for "major survey" suggesting that half of Japanese preschoolers have

attended tutoring. At the local public schools serving 99 percent of Japan's children, few to none of the first-graders attended exam-preparatory classes during preschool years. Elite elementary schools, such as those your article features, serve less than 1 percent of Japanese elementary students.

Why ignore the mainstream edu-

times as much of their school day in free play. American 5-year-olds spend 30 percent of the school day in direct academic instruction, whereas Japanese students spend only 5 percent in such instruction.

Let's not reinforce stereotypes about Japan just to strengthen the American notion that academic achievement can occur only at the expense of children's social development. Friendship, play and social promotion are more emphasized in Japanese schools than in

CATHERINE C. LEWIS ours. Oakland, Calif., Jan. 25, 1996

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The Chaos Scenario

As campaign weeks go, Boh Dole's was almost as had as they get. His sepulchral response to the State of the Union speech led his rivals for the Republican Presidential nomination to club him openly as a candidate who cannot defeat President Clinton. Having kept his well-known temper in check throughout the campaign, Mr. Dole then reverted to form, pugnaciously lashing out against liberal elitists in the media and rich-boy Republicans. The inescapable message for Republican voters was that their once golden opportunity to win hack the White House was in danger of falling apart.

Republicans are now talking openly of Mr. Dole as this year's Walter Mondale, a man destined to lose because of the perception that he is beholden to special interests and a creature of the past. The analogy takes on urgency when you remember how quickly voters can turn on a front-runner who gets nicked. Even in lowa, where Mr. Dole has vast organizational strength and regional appeal, Steve Forbes is closing in. New Hampshire voters could make serious mischief hy knocking Mr. Dole out of first place.

If that happens, the Republicans are left with a shamhles. Mr. Forbes bears the hurden of his deeply flawed proposal for a flat tax and an even shakier resume. Neither is likely to survive close scrutiny. In fact, the most salient Presidential feature possessed hv Mr. Forbes is his Presidentialscale advertising budget. Rivals either chide him or stand in awe of the \$15 million he has spent on his campaign. Mr. Dole said it was "like saving. 'I like America so much, I bought the country.'" But eveo Mr. Forbes's Warhucks appeal is dampened by the fact that he has now let us know that, win or lose, he expects to be paid hack.

As for the flat tax, it does oot take focus groups and opinion polls to figure out that voters are not rising up this year to demand that rich people be

Kenya Tries to Stifle Its Press

Kenya has suffered the multiple plagues of oneparty, one-man rule since President Daniel arap Moi assumed power in 1978. Corruptioo, cynicism and repression are staples of Kenyan life. Now, as serious challenge from the opposition Safina party. he heads into what could be a contested election early next year, the President threatens to muzzle the Kenyan press and foreign journalists as well. Under proposed legislation that Mr. Moi's party has ample votes to adopt, all journalists in Kenya would have to be licensed by a press council with the power to enforce a Government-mandated code of ethlcs. A second measure would create a commission empowered to revoke media licenses and seize broadcast equipment. These laws would be devastating for Kenyan politics and a hudding multi-party system. The proposed code would also extend to foreign correspondents, who often are able to report what Kenyan publications cannot.

President Moi favors flattering news, like the obsequious televised accounts of his daily activities. He is particularly anxious now because he faces a

In 1992, bowing to pressure from foreign aid donors, including the Bush Administration, Kenya agreed to cooduct its first multi-party elections. Safina emerged as a serious contender, its standing enhanced hy a prominent founder, the eminent conservationist and paleontologist Richard Leakey. There was speculation that Mr. Leakey might actually win a free election. Soon there was a wave of harassment of dissenting political figures and journalists, as goons hroke up Safina rallies and Mr. Leakey was beaten up. Past pressure from aid donors has yielded salutary results. Renewed pressure would show friends of press freedom in Kenya that their cause is neither forgotten nor lost.

runner and a weak field stirs dreams of none-of-theher child. above among victory-hungry Republican voters? If the early primarles explode into chaos, those voters may soon begin exhorting one of the party's bench-**Defense Boondoggle** sitters - Jack Kemp, Dick Cheney, James Baker, Or the Public Good? Newt Gingrich or even Colin Powell - to reconsid-

To the Editor:

Re Anthony Lewis's "Defense Anomaly" (column, Jan. 22): The waste in the hudget is far worse than Mr. Lewis states. Congress insists on appropriating ... many billions of dollars more than !! even the Defense Department requests. Furthermore, the new planes, ships and submarines will have to be manned, maintained, fueled and repaired, adding additional billions to future budgets.

Two forces are at work here, the fear of large job layoffs from defense employers, and the political capital earned by members of Congress in their local constituencies hy protecting these jobs. Consider the following in lieu of this giant make-work boondoggle: Let's say it took 1,000 workers at To the Editor: the local defense plant three years to Re "Extend the Whitewater Comhuild just one unnecessary \$2.2 bilmittee" (editorial, Jan. 25): lion B-2 bomber. The taxpayers You seem to forget there is a more could afford to pay those workers full extensive inquiry by the special prossalary for three years. ecutor Kenneth Starr at public ex-

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Underground Gallery-Going

The higgest art gallery in New York is one that thousands of people pass through every day. Some of them may know one small corner of it, but there can be very few, if any, who have seen the whole. Doing so, after all, takes a stack of tokens, a lot of waiting on platforms and frequent recourse to a map. But anyone who takes the journey can say, as did the first person to stick his head into King Tut's tomh, that he has seen "wonderful things."

'Wonderful things'' are not all this gallery has to do with Tut's tomh. Like the latter, it is underground - being concentrated, for the most part, in New York's gargantuan subway system. One of its most exciting works, however, is above ground, at the entrance to the Bronx's Westchester Square stop. There, a hrilliant hlaze of faceted glass, is Romare Bearden's triptych of a city that seems to shimmer with as much life as it does color.

The Bearden is part of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Arts for Transit, a five-year capital campaign program. Sixty-one works are already in place and 50 more are now in progress -and to those who would say that dressing up a

suhway is like putting a rihbon on a pig's tail, the only proper response is "You're nuts."

At 34th Street and Avenue of the Americas, a stopping place for the N, R and F trains, curves a long wall of handmade golden tiles by Michele Oka Doner, High above the tracks, David Provan suspended red iron paddles that move lazily in the hreeze created hy the train's passing.

A hlock away at the present Penn Station Andrew Leicester, using terra cotta, has evoked remnants (and memories) of the fabled old Penn Station with hroken columns and a recreation of the station's "Day and Night" sculptures. Overhead is a clock by Maya Lin: one disc sliding over another, like an eclipse.

Carnegie Hall Station has the names of some of its greatest performers simply inscribed on small white tiles, an idea from Josh Scharf. At the Christopher Street Station, schoolchildren have created four ceramic triptychs about Greenwich Village history. Soon almost all New Yorkers will know what it is to experience an art gallery, and be all the richer for it.

Young Achievers Help the Needy

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They are young and ambitious. They are living in New York City and working for some of its most prominent financial institutions. They work 80- to 100-hour weeks. But a group of young financial analysts, mostly in their early 20's, take time every year to organize their own small campaign to help New Yorkers who are not as successful.

Maxwell Chee, who is 23 and a graduate of Queens University in Canada, is one of them. He is a second-year analyst with Salomon Brothers. This year he has put in 30 hours or so organizing his colleagues at Salomon Brothers and other firms to raise money for The New York Times Neediest Cases Fund.

For Mr. Chee it was a natural idea. He had done social service work in college. Now he is one of the senior members of a group of five young people who organize their colleagues to solicit the professionals they work with. The firms match employees' gifts up to \$2,500.

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Last week the group turned over a check for 5193, General Post Office, New York, N.Y. 10087.

\$87,730 to the fund. The gift helped the fund exceed total contributions for the same time last year. Another check will be delivered before the drive ends on Feh. 29.

But valuable as this contribution is, it does not diminish the value of smaller gifts, like the one from Lauren and Emily Redmerski of Rye, N.Y., who went without one night's Hanukkah gifts so they could give \$40 to the fund, or from the Lamperts of Long Island, who are nearing retirement, have few savings and still find \$5 to contribute. Anika Schwarzwald of Jersey City gave \$11, "one for every year of my life."

Every gift is appreciated and put to use by the charities supported hy the fund. All contributions go through seven private agencies to people in need. Nothing is kept for administration. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. Checks should be payable to The New York Times Neediest Cases Fund and mailed to P.O. Box

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During those three years, or until pense. they found other employment, they would be engaged in either full-time training for other, more-in-demand work, or work on some local public investigator, and thus contradicts his project that would benefit the local contention that be is only in search of community. the facts. The mathematics are elementary:

3,000 worker years at \$60,000 a year (\$40,000 salary plus \$20,000 cost of training) equals \$180 million. Net saving to the taxpayers for

each unbuilt bomber would be \$2 anty and contain no motive for con-STUART K. SHERMAN billion. cealment. Englewood, N.J., Jan. 25, 1996 Ardsley on Hudson, N.Y., Jan. 25, 1996

cational experience in Japan? Compared with American counterparts, Japanese 5-year-olds spend four Developmental Studies Center.

No Muslim Outrage Whitewater Posturing

To the Editor:

Your Jan. 23 letters headlined "Don't Depict Islam, the Religion, as a Menace" beg the question by assuming that there is a moderate or even tolerant wing of Islam.

When various outrages have been committed in Islam's name, what Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato, in his desire to defame Hillary Rodham prominent Muslim spokesmen have publicly and unequivocally con-Clinton, plays the prosecutor, not the demned these actions?

What efforts at rapprochement with victims of Islamic intolerance are we seeing from any Islamic authority?

Yes, there are Muslims who don't engage in terrorism, but precious few who actively fight agains1 it within their ranks. DANIEL LILIE Wilmette, Ill., Jan. 25, 1996

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Charities, Under Siege Too, Can't Undergo Market Conversion

As for the copies of the billing

records that turned up, they confirm

Mrs. Clinton's statements that she

did minimal work for Madison Guar-

ROBERT PHILIPSON

To the Editor: We have been reading commentary in this column on the idea of charities operating according to marketplace principles (letters, Jan. 19 and 24), in which a debate line has been drawn demarking two camps: charities cannot fill the Federal budget gap; charities can fill the budget gap. It's the wrong question to debate.

Over the past decade the biggest growth area in nonprofit financing

An Owlish Irruption

To the Editor:

Re "Central Park Is a Festival of Odd Birds" (news article, Jan. 25): The "eruption" of owls you describe makes it appear as if owls are shooting out of the park like lava out of Vesuvius. The right word for the phenomenon - a mass movement of large numbers of birds into areas beyond their normal range --- is "irruption." MARIE WINN New York, Jan. 25, 1996 The Times welcomes letters from readers. Letters must include writer's name, address and telephone number. We regret that we cannot acknowledge unpublished letters. Those selected may be shortened for space reasons. Fax letters to (212) 556-3622 or send to Letters to the Editor.

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tary contributions and not government financing. Voluntary contributions are one soce of the nonprofit financing pie. Charities are being asked to transform the 17 percent of their financing

has been fees and charges, not volun-

tions to a much larger serving of ple. At the same time they are being asked to transform themselves from innovators to a crisis-driven triage system that provides services to a growing

and desperate population base. If that were not enough, they are being regulated and taxed at unthinkable levels as they are held up to one audience as saviors of our

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crooked swindlers in need of costly bureaucratic shackles. Charities can raise more than they're raising now, but it is hard to accomplish modest fund-raising goals when you're under siege. Realthat comes from voluntary contribuistic appraisals of the possible must

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Carter Burden's Legacy

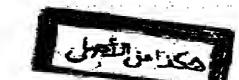
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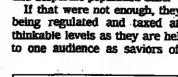
ture.

Re "Carter Burden, Progressive Patrician, 54, Dies" (obluary, Jan. 24):

In recalling Mr. Burden's life, you omit his most significant accomplishment as a New York City Councilman: he drafted, introduced and was the principal advocate for the amendments to the city's Landmarks Preservation Law upheld by the Supreme Court in sustaining landmark designation for Grand Central Terminal

All who still marvel at the beauty of that structure should remember the love of our city and its rich architectural heritage that inspired Mr. Burden's work on that legisla-FRANK R. FIORAMONTI tion. New York, Jan. 25, 1996 The writer served as Mr. Burden's legislative counsel from 1971 to 1975.





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WEEKLY REVIEW

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Blues

Certain shades of hlue still make

But, despite spending 12 years in clip-on ties, pleats and Peter Pan collars, I have oo hard feelings

Through grade school and high school, forest green and slate hlue

uniforms made life simple. It was even possible, with the element of style removed, to wake up at 8 A.M.

and catch the 8:05 bus. My saddle

shoes made me a better, more timid

person. They filled me with Virtue,

but left me woefully unprepared to

Express Myself when I got to college.

same, they did not make us be the

same. Underneath our identical cov-

ers were different bearts, different

minds, different temperaments. In a

weird way, in fact, our uniforms

brought home the lesson that appear-

ances matter. What made us differ-

ent from each other came to matter

more than what made us the same.

Some girls had long legs and straight

hair and boyfriends and doctor-dads

with beach houses and some did not.

khakis, a blue shirt and blue-and-gold

My nephew Patrick, who wears

While uniforms made us look the

against school uniforms.

me shudder.

WASHINGTON

Foreign Affairs THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

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Come To Africa

KIGALI, Rwanda While on a stopover in Rwanda, the American U.N. representative, Madeleine Albright, asked her staff and the crew of their Air Force jet to pose for a picture on the runway of Kigali international airport. They all stood on the steps of their Boeing 737, which was emplazoned with the words "Uoited States of America." There was a Greek-American, a Czech-American, Jewish Americans, black Americans and white Americans, there were Air Force crewmen from small towns and State Department experts from Ivy League colleges, and they were all standing there shoulder to shoulder. As they posed for the camera, I watched the Rwandan ground crew watching them. They had a slightly quizzical look. I couldn't belp but wonder what the Rwandans made of this scene.

That picture represented everything that is good about America: the spirit of community, the melting pot, the willingness to belp strangers in need and a concept of citizenship based on allegiance to an idea not a tribe. It is everything that a country like Rwanda is not.

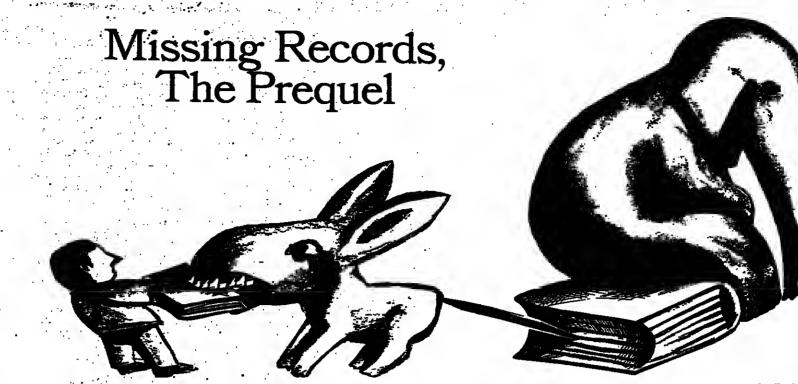
I thought about that scene and I started to get mad - mad about the budget debate in America today. We have something so special compared with almost every country in the world, but if we want to preserve it, we have to pay for it. I don't know exactly where the budget compromises should come. And there is certainly truth to the argument that to preserve our social safety nets, they bave to be reformed and probably reduced in scope. But I do know this: When I listen to many of these freshmen Republicans I bear mean-spirited voices, minterested in any compromise. I hear cold, Jacobin volces, who denounce government, who really want to let the market rule and who really want to scrap as much welfare, gun control, Medicare, Medicaid and taxes as they can.

Well, Africa today is a freshman Republican's paradise.

Nobody in Liberia pays taxes, there is no gun control in Angola, there is no minimum wage in Burundi and there is no welfare as we know it in Rwanda

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By Beth Nolan and John Podesta

WASHINGTON independent counsel is investigating a mimber of Administration officials; including . the . President . himself. The counsel requests documents from the White House: Many are turned over, with the exception of one. The counsel issues a second request for papers, but this document is still not provided.

Then, one day a White House staff assistant responsible for keeping the President's family records discovers

Remember George Bush's mislaid diary?

the document. She immediately recognizes that the independent counsel has requested it. Sound familiar?

It should. But this is not only because of the controversy surrounding Hillary Rodham Clinton and the billing records of the Rose Law Firm. The document in question was - but a lot of their people sure wish George Bush's diary, long sought by in there were. Like the desk clerk in 2 Lawrence 10 Walsh, the independent Luanda, who looked at me as if PWas counsel investigating the Iran-contra

dent Bush was running for re-election That September, an Administra-

tion staff assistant, Patty Presock, found the Bush diary in the personal safe on the third floor of the White House's living quarters. But even then the document was not delivered. according to Mr. Walsh's Iran-contra report. Instead, Ms. Presock told President Bush of her discovery and said she believed it was relevant to the latest independent counsel request. Mr. Bush said he directed Ms. Presock to have the Presidential counsel, C. Boyden Gray, "sort it Out "

She gave the diary to Mr. Gray, who looked at it that day, according to Mr. Walsh's report. Then, for more than two months, nothing happened. Eventually, in December 1992, after President Bush had lost the election, Mr. Gray showed a few lawyers on his staff some excerpts. They readily concluded that the diary should be turned over to the independent counsel.

On Dec. 11, 1992, almost six years after the original request, Mr. Gray notified the independent counsel that a diary had been found. Entries from It were not produced until late December. In his final report, Mr. Walsh seems to imply that President Bush knew the diary was relevant in 1987, at the time of the first request, but that he intentionally did oot produce it.

We do oot recall any clamor or outrage over these findings from those members of Congress who are . nown so, critical of the Clipton White House. We do not necall Senator At ... the truth: it could just as easily fonse D'Amato rushing to have bearbappen to them. ings about this delay, even though

Congress had held its own extensive

Mr. Walsh sought to investigate

hearings oo Iran-contra and made its

own request for documents.

for the delay in handing over the diary. Maybe the privileges the lawyers insisted on deserved protection. But we'll never know exactly what happened - unless the Senate authorizes a select committee to investigate the Bush diary. Since these investigations are clearly influenced by partisanship and a desire for political gain, we won't bold our breath. But before slinging charges against President and Mrs. Clintoo for being uncooperative, some of their most vocal critics might review recent history.

Compare the actions of the Bush Administration to those of the Clinton Administration. Earlier this month, when Carolyn Huber, an aide

Docudrama

By Sidney N. Herman

CHICAGO ocuments that are relevant to an investigation are found in an unexpected place six months after they were first sought. A

shocking development? Absolutely not. In most major pieces of litigation, files turn up late. One side or the other always thinks of making something of the late appearance, but these lawyers know

Those who are so quick to criticize the way the Clinton White House has handled matters might, with some moch oeeded perspective, own up to the disingenuous quality of some of their charges.

in the Clintoo White House, found the billing records from the Rose Law Firm, she immediately called the Clintons' personal lawyer, and he arranged to have the records turned over within a day. And the Clintons have made it clear that they will help answer any questions about the law firm's billings. Indeed, even before Mrs. Clinton was subpoenaed, she bad already answered questions three times from the independent counsel investigating Whitewater.

tie to his Catholic grade school, sagely observes that uniforms can only Clothes

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obscure the inevitable superficial judgments for so loog. "I like wearing different clothes," the I3-year-old says, "because it's easier to tell which kids are oerds and which aren't."

Nonetheless, politicians oow be-lieve the good nuns were oo to something. Last summer, Mayor Rudolph Giulianl suggested that the New York public school system remodel Itself on the Catholic school system. Last week, the President chimed in with a similar thought in his State of

the Union address. "If it means that teen-agers will

initial delivery of relevant papers where it gets mixed in with the rest

of the morass. Why red-flag it by holding It back? My former partner, Kenneth Starr, knows all this. As independent

counsel in the Whitewater investigation, he will take it into account. But the American people have no reason to know that this is a normal

Please. Every

lawyer loses files.

Lessons for our freshmen Republicans.

out of my mind when I asked her if it was safe to take a walk three blocks from the hotel, down the main street of the Angolan capital in the middle of the day. No, no, no, she shook her head - not safe. I'll bet she wouldn't mind paying some taxes for more police.

And then there was the Liberian journalist who approached me in Monrovia and demanded to know why the U.S. Marines came to Liberia after the civil war broke out in 1989. evacuated the U.S. citizens and then just left the Liberians to fight it out alone. "We all thought, the Marines are coming, we will be saved," he said, "but then they left. How could they leave?" Poor fellow, his country has no marines to come rescue him. I'll bet he wouldn't mind paying some taxes for a few marines.

They don't worry about "Big Government" in Liberia. They don't worry about government at all - thanks to the gangs and warlords who rule most of the land. No, Liberians may never again have to worry about government regulations or red tape. In fact the only regulation I saw at the Executive Mansion there was a sign on a bullet-shattered window at the front door. It said: "Deposit Your Weapons Here."

Employers don't have to fret at all about pesky worker-safety rules in Angola, let alone services for the handicapped. The 70,000 Angolans who have had limbs blown off by land mines planted during the last 25 years of civil war seem to make do just fine on their own. You see them limping around the streets of Luanda, hustling for food and using tree limbs as a substitute for the human variety.

They sure looked happy to me. And in Rwanda and Burandi, no one is asked to pay for Head Start, unemployment insurance, Medicaid, national service or student loan programs. Instead they just have a brutal competition for scarce land, energy and water, in which Tutsi and Hutu take turns downsizing the other tribe m order to grab more resources for their own.

They say the freshmen Republicans almost never go nn Congressional junkets. Too bad. They might want to come to Africa and glimpse what happens to countries where there is no sense of community, no sense that people owe their government anything, no sense that anyone is responsible for anyone else and where everyone, rich or poor, is left to the tender mercies of the global marketplace.

scandal in the Reagan Administration

Mr. Walsh first requested all relevant White House documents, including the diaries of officials, in 1987, when Mr. Bush was Vice President. A second request was made in the summer of 1992, when then Presi-

Beth Nolan, a professor at George Washington University Law School, was associate counsel to President Clinton from 1993 to 1995. John Podesta, a visiting professor at George-town University Law Center, was Staff Secretary to President Clinton from 1993 to 1995.

the long delay in producing the diary. But Mr. Gray and the former deputy counsel refused to be interviewed. They and their private counsel would not do so without guaranteed protectioo of lawyer-client privilege and Fifth Amendment protection from self-incrimination. President Bush

also refused to be interviewed without limits that the independent counsel found unacceptable.

Maybe there were sound reasons Sidney N. Herman is a lawyer.

Despite diligent searches, important papers in large organizations are always turning up after the initial and follow-up searches. How many times have you looked for something on your desk and couldn't find it, only to have it appear right

under your nose later? Happens all the time. Indeed, as every litigator knows, there is nothing worse than having an important document show up late. You've only highlighted its absence

for your opponent. If you know where

it is, it is far better to include it in the

occurrence; it is not part of their everyday experience. Reporters really don't have any reasoo to know this either. Or they may know, and simply choose to ignore it.

Last summer, ootes that were critical to the celebrated libel suit brought by Jeffrey Masson against the writer Janet Malcolm appeared in her private study, years after they were first sought. I recall that discovery being treated as an interesting happenstance, nothing more. When documents show up belated-

ly, even in private quarters, there is simply nothing unusual about it.

The Master's Hand

By Barbara Grizzuti Harrison

't isn't exactly tantamount to finding a shy unicorn in your garden amidst apples of gold, but it will, as the French say, serve. It will do - and it will do exquisitely,

It is most lovable, adorable, electrically surprising - numinous. And its discovery gives rise to all kinds of contingent hopes and fantasies (the

Manhattan, touched by Michelangelo.

nature of hope being, like that of love, to multiply and expand). Who would have expected it? And yet there it (almost indisputably) is: a languorous marble statue of a young boy, hitherto disregarded, and now acclaimed as an early work of Michel-

Normally sober and professionally prudent curators and art historians were as euphoric as scholars are likely to become, and no one has come forth to challenge them. This immensely endearing work of art, though it dwells in an inoperative fountain, is no decorative folly - it's the real thing.

And since 1902 or thereabouts, it has been at 972 Fifth Avenue, now the home to the cultural services of the French Embassy.

Why haven't we known about New

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York's only Michelangelo until now? Well, a small statue standing in the shadows isn't as brazen as, say, King Tut's treasure. It doesn't trumpet itself with the unmistakable gleam of gold. It needs a knowing and a loving eye, a seeing eye amidst the jaded, cautious eyes of pragmatists.

It was left to the eye of Dr. Kathleen Weil-Garris Brandt to give us occasion for rejoicing. (It's almost like a resurrection, isn't it? I mcan: There it wasn't, and there it is. There it always was.) In October, Dr. Brandt, who teaches at New York University's Institute of Fine Arts, went to an exhibition of decorative arts at 972 Fifth; the room was flooded with light; the fountain and the work stood revealed. Her scrupulous research overwhelmed her skepticism and confirmed what her eye already knew: Michelangelo.

On a cold and blue and blustery day, I went to see the youth. The French, losing no time, have floodlit him. He is surrounded now by red velvet ropes. (No armed guards ... no one but a blase security man who asked me what to say when he was asked how he felt about the discovery. Say you're thrilled, I said; he wrote that down.)

I was reminded of a movie in which Peter O'Toole and Audrey Hepburn circumvent security alarms and steal a pretty little statue from the Louvre by means of a boomerang. Or maybe it was a Frisbee. (Don't ask.) I was feeling as I can't help but feel when I'm in the presence of visually accessible and touchable goodies: acquisitive.

That's why I thought about the boomerang ... or the Frisbee. Of course, unless the French arrange to send the statue to France, I do have it. We all do. It stands in a large circular basin of a fountain (wonderful people, the rich, always bringing the indoors out and the outdoors in). The rim of the forntain is exactly the right height for resting one's foot. I wondered how many fancy shoes had been placed



near the statue over the years, and how many cocktail glasses had been placed casually on the ancient Roman altar on which it rests. Perhaps the half-smile on the young boy's face

says: I exist to be of use. Every bit of him is delicious: the curve of his torso, the honey spot where the neck meets the shoulder, the whorled ear and the abundance of ringlets, the perfect lift of the buttocks, even the empty eyes, which seem, the longer you look at them, not to be empty at all but to be full of mysteries, eyes that demand a response. From every angle he elicits

Four people walked in from the street while I was there. They wore anticipatory smiles. There are people who will say: much ado, so much fuss, what's the difference, it's only because it has been given an imprimatur that people are tripping all over themselves in delight. To which I say: horsefeathers.

In Florence, there are three statues of Michelangelo's David, one on a ment fearless. It lives.

promontory away from the center of the city, one in the Piazza della Signoria, across from the cafe Rivoire. The third David is in the Accademia. Two of the three are fakes, repro-

ductions - on the theory, one supposes, that there can't be too much of a good thing. You may think tourists are suckers when they suffer the embarrassment that follows wor-shipfully contemplating a fake David. I do not. They have been profoundly cheated, and they sense it.

The fakes may look the same, but they are not the same. They have not been touched by the hand of the maker. The hand of the maker, in its act of creation, is an image, pale but the best we've got, of the hand of God.

The Michelangelo of Fifth Avenue, its paw-footed quiver damaged, its arrows lost to the ravages of time, its legsandarmsbroken, reveals, for all its flaws, the hand of the maker. When we stand next to it, we stand in a little circle of immortality, for the mo-

stop killing each other over designer jackets, then our public schools should be able to require the students to wear school uniforms," the President said to an appreciative audience, all looking alike in the Washingtoo uniform.

Bill Bennett, the Educatioo Secretary under Ronald Reagan, called the endorsement "a zinger." "With one strike. Clintoo became a cultural conservative. There are parents and kids fighting all over America every morning about what kids are wear-

In a Maryland suburb last month, a straight-arrow I7-year-old student named Charles Lewis Marsh Jr. was hit by a stray bullet as be waited for a bus, when two kids tried to rob a student of what police called "an Eddie Bauer-type" jacket. The President was impressed

when the Long Beach, Calif., school district reported that a oew dress code in elementary and middle schools had caused a dramatic drop in fighting, crime and ridicule.

As the comedian Bill Maher points out, 'Nobody ever got mugged for a clip-on bow tie." (Yet.)

There is no doubt that appearances affect reality. Uniforms create uniformity. That is the good oews and the bad news. They are really an exercise in group psychology. They teach the individual to belong and to behave like the others who belong. That is preferable to anarchy, but it is not the same thing as discipline.

Anyway, anarchy doesn't care what it wears. When I was growing up, the sartorial similarities between good girls and bad girls did oot erase the behavioral differences.

Robert Coles, the Harvard child psychiatrist and social critic, says that troubled kids oeed a lot more than uniforms. "They need good teachers, they prohably need a good solid home life and they don't have it. But it is fair to say that for some kids in need of structure and control, the uniform is not to be dismissed. I've seen it work with really troubled kids."

In some fancy private schools that have dropped dress codes, he said, he has seen "an erosion, in the drug culture and other areas, of order and authority.

'In all candor," he said, "when the uniform is a symbolic expression of caring and discipline and moral authority, when it expresses an institutional will for adherence to certain values such as hard work, community spirit and self-control, that's fine and valuable."

Even in a starched white shirt and a clip-on tie, you can still dress to kill. But if a dress code could lower the crime rate in public schools even a little, I'm for it.

Besides, why should adults be the only ones wearing uniforms? The socoer kids learn that grown-up life is made up of herds, the better.

awe and joy.

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ECONOMY

Fran Tarkenton: From Quarterback to Power Player

By JON NORDHEIMER

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ATLANTA OTHER speech, another \$15,000 in the bank, and Fran Tarkeoton was ready to head for the hills. Behind the wheel of his Jeep Grand Cherokee, with the hiss of tires on the blacktop, he visibly relaxed with each passing mile as he climbed into the stubby hills and tree-covered ridges of northeast Georgia.

"I come up here every chance f can to get away from the world," said the man who until recently held the most prized passing records in National Football League history. "Up in these mountains I feel people accept me for what I am rather than who l am."

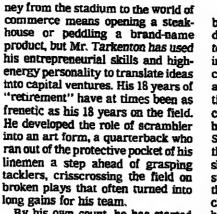
What Francis Asbury Tarkenton is these days — and has been since his retirement in 1978 from the Minnesota Vikings, where he started and ended an 18-year Hall of Fame career - is a rarity among retired professional athletes: an experienced business man who has created, sold, traded and folded a wide variety of companies.

He is perhaps best known today aa television pitchman for products like exercise equipment and motiva tional tapes. Like Terry Bradsbaw. Pat Riley and a few other sports celebrities, he gives speeches on the corporate sales meeting circuit. He oow collects \$15,000 plus expenses for each speech, and gives more than 60 a year. But unlike others, he draws inspiration from his background as a businessman as well as a sports figure.

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By his own count, he has started nine businesses, some little more than passing fancies and a few climbing into the higher echelons of the corporate world.

'He was always thinking ahead on every play," said Mick Tingelhoff, a former Vikings center. "He was very intense, very competitive, and there was never any doubt he would become a first-class businessman." It has not been all smooth sailing, though, for the personable Mr. Tarkenton, whose smooth features at age 55 give the impression that he is at least 10 years younger, a tribute to fast thinking and quick feet that kept him relatively unscarred in a bonecrushing game.

This Super Bowl weekend, like the previous 18, brings a painful reminder that he led the Vikings to three Super Bowl appearances in the 1970's and always came away on the short end. In addition, his N.F.L. records --- for most touchdown passes, attempts, completions and passing yardage - were eclipsed one by one last year within a few weeks by Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins

In recent years, Mr. Tarkenton became the target of multimilliondollar shareholder suits that contended that he manipulated the earnings of his Atlanta-based software company, Knowledgeware Inc., to attract investors, including a onetime friend in Minneapolis, the financier Irwin L. Jacobs. Mr. Tarkenton has since sold Knowledgeware to Sterling Software of Dallas, a move that he said cushioned the blow for shareholders who held onto their stock and rode last year's boom in the technology sector. All three class-action suits have been settled, he said

He shrugs off these setbacks as the price of being in the arena, whether it is a playing field or a board room.

"I like making money, no doubt about that -- it's the adult scoreboard," he said as he looked out at the unfolding landscape of weathered houses and country churches. In his view, his business strengths centered on coming up with ideas,

planning, forming companies and networking. "I hire good managers and give them responsibility for dayto-day operations," he explained.

Others see the skills that made Mr. Tarkentoo a superb field general and television pltchman as covering up weakness

"Personal dynamism and never admitting failure may be a strength on the football field, but it can be a liability in business," said Jeffrey Sonnenfeld, a professor at the Emory University School of Business in Atlanta. "I would never trust anyone who doesn't admit to setbacks in life, and he has never admitted that he cost a lot of investors a lot of money."

Mr. Tarkenton refuses to quantify his personal wealth. In 1991, when Knowledgeware was a high-flying software stock that topped \$40 before a precipitous fall, Mr. Tarkeoton, as founder and chief salesman, controlled a paper fortune of more than a million shares, but that melted away to a tidy but much smaller sum by the time he sold the company 15 months ago.

He is now deeply involved in nascent ventures aimed at small-busioess people. "There is tremendous opportunity to give the small businessman working at home an opportunity to leverage his position," he said as he braked the Jeep to a halt near his six-bedroom summer home on Lake Burton, 100 miles northeast of Atlanta. "The trick is to get their confidence that these products are not a scam."

As if to demonstrate his zeal, Mr. Tarkenton walked into a small restaurant operated by Ruth Brooks and spent the next 45 minutes instructing the 58-year-old woman on on how to make maximum profits from the expected spillover of visitors to the Olympic Games in Atlancommodious oew ice chest for dis- in the Orange Bowl. playing soft drinks in the marina office. Mr. Tarkenton has been a director of Coca-Cola Enterprises for years and says the company is searching for ways to present its products better in mom-and-pop operations like theirs. When conversation turns to the

Super Bowl, Mr. Poole, nearing 80, asks, "How come you never went into coaching, Fran?"

"I was a coach while I played quarterback, Mr. Charley," Mr. Tarkenton responds, adding that 18 years in the pros had made him as knowledgeable in the game as any coach be played for. "But I had done that. After my career in football was over 1 wanted to devote all my time to some husinesses f already started.'

"Oh, you would find coaching too confining," Mrs. Poole interjects

"God gave me the ability to move

a team down the field in a way that per BowL" quarterbacks who were more physically gifted could not," he said, pointing the Jeep dowo the mountain technology from a Long Island comroads toward Atlanta. "But 1 always had to keep proving myself to the coaches. I became a real pest on the sidelines."

He expected to he picked in the first round of the 1961 N.F.L. draft. Instead Minnesota, an expansion team, picked him in the third round. His salary was \$12,500, with a \$3,500 signing bonus.

"Going in the third round at a time when there were only 14 N.F.L. teams was a blow to my ego," be recailed. His first Vikings coach, the former quarterback Norm Van Brocklin, also didn't have much regard for his talents until Mr. Tarken-

ton, in his rookie year, led the team



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In the off season, Mr. Tarkenton Cola.

In 1967 he was traded to the New York Giants and in the off season vent up against the merchandising. powerhouse Joe Namath, the quarterback across town for the Jets. While Mr. Namath became an icon of the counterculture 1960's, Mr. Tarkenton was hobbled by a "preacher's boy" image. Mr. Namath did commercials with slinky

favored Chicago Bears.

went to work as a salesman for a trucking company in Sioux Falls, S.D., for \$600 a month. The next two years he was a salesman for a Minnesota printing company, and by 1965 he and his first wife, Angela, who were married in 1960, and the first of their three children set up house in Atlanta, where he worked for the advertising firm BBD&O and was a management trainee at Coca-

ple," and lend his name to a ghostwritten mystery, "Murder at the Su-

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In 1980, he acquired rights to computer-aided software engineering pany to build and eocode data analysis systems, and by 1986, the year he ended his second marriage, he merged Tarkenton Software with a Michigan company he bought called Knowledgeware.

"People say to me, 'Oh, Fran, you're lucky - you're a big football star and you could start all those businesses, " Mr. Tarkeoton says in his motivational talks to groups like Valvoline sales reps and A & W root beer franchisers, pitching his voice high to mimic an adoring fan.

"I was fortunate in my football career, but I don't know how much that helped me build a software company," he says. "When I tried to raise capital I went to bankers and got zero. 1 funded the \$3 million to get started out of my own pocket, and the most I ever earned in one year as a quarterback was \$250,000." His reward came in 1989 when he took the company public at \$12.50 a share, and sold \$2 million of his own stake.

Knowledgeware set out to help small-business people get access to mainframe computers, and this helped propel the company to zooming sales by the end of the decade. L.B.M. paid \$10.5 million for about 8.5 percent of the company's stock in its early years, and Mr. Tarkenton dared hope he was on the cusp of a limitless bonanza. But trouble lay ahead. Personal computers with networking capability swept in and stole the small-business market, a change that Knowledgeware was slow to recognize.

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Mr. Tarkenton's personal holdings in Knowledgeware were worth more than \$50 million on paper in 1991, and in 1991 and 1992 he sold stock worth more than \$4 million. But the stock went into a tailspin in 1991 on disappointing sales. For the first time in his charmed life, Mr. Tarkenton was the pursuer and success was the ehisive object.

Mr. Tarkenton, who had sided with group that included Mr. Jacobs, an old friend from Minneapolis, in a failed attempt to win control of the Vikings in 1986, invested heavily in Knowledgeware in 1993 and 1994. The conversations between the men before Mr. Jacobs's investment became central in his subsequent lawsuit and his contention that Mr. Tarkenton had-misled him about the company's sales.

Both are bound by the recent settlement of Mr. Jacobs's lawsuit, the aim of which was to recover \$5.8 million in lost investments in Knowledgeware, not to discuss their differences publicly. But the financier

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Australia	191.02	0.6	7	0.5	15	3.89	171.90	1.2
Austria	184.31	0.2	10	5.6	7	1.51	142.71	10.0
Belgium	208.09	-3.1	24	- 05	18	3 32	157 31	3.6
Brazil	155.50	-0.2	13	127	з	1.57	279.99	13.5
Britain	225.82	-0.8	16	- 2.0	20	4.17	222.74	1.2
Canada	152.87	11	5	3.0	10	2.45	152.91	4.3
Denmark	298.45	-0.1	12	3.4	9	1.40	234.02	7.5
Finland	175.80	-1.9	21	~ 6.0	25	1.89	168.11	- 1.4
France	161.01	-1.1	18	0.9	13	3.13	145.39	5.6
Germany	168.32	0.3	9	2.8	11	1.83	130.49	7.1
Hong Kong	431.84	3.5	Ī	11.4	4	3.34	428.66	11.4
Ireland	255.19	-1.1	17	- 0.1	17	3.32	230.70	2.7
taly	74.66	-3.1	25	1.3	12	1.64	89.38	2.4
Japan	151.22	-0.6	14	- 2.4	21	0.75	101.97	0.9
Malaysia	511.42	-1.2	19	5.4	8	1.66	503.15	6.1
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Netherlands	272.57	-0.7	15	- 01	16	3.14	207.78	4.1
New Zealand	77.61	-0.0	11	- 2.6	23	4.70	61.87	- 4.4
Norway	225.67	-2.0	22	- 2.4	22	2.09	200.02	0.8
Singapore	443.93	3.3	2	90	6	1.39	289.88	9.2
South Africa	435.93	2.4	з	13.1	2	3.38	348.35	13.5
Spain	162.82	-1.8	20	- 1.4	19	3.92	156.01	2.8
Swedan	295.76	-3.1	26	- 5.2	24	1.97	304.60	- 0.5
Switzerland	219 77	-2.6	23	- 6.9	26	1.82	164.32	- 24
Thailand	185.62	0.7	6	10.3	5	2.20	182.56	11.0
United States	253 30	1.6	4	0.8	14	2.25	253.30	0.8

Fran Tarkenton hopes to teach people how to profit from the Internet. others that be couldn't have coached one team at a time - he'd have to run all them.

In football, Mr. Tarkenton always had to answer the question "What makes Franny scramble?" In busiess, the question has changed to 'What makes Franny run?"

A few other players have successful careers on the level of chief operating officer. Roger Staubach, former quarterback of the Dallas Cowboys, runs a commercial real estate concern. Nick Buonicooti, former All-Pro linebacker with the Miami Dolphins, was president of the U.S. Tobacco company and now is vice chairman of Columbia Laboratories, drug research company,

No one, bowever, seems to have matched Mr. Tarkenton's peripatetic plunge into ventures big and small. Forget about his speaking schedule - which could earn him . close to \$1 million a year - a side career be developed as early as high

COMPOSITE	INDICES			
Europe	198.39	-1.2	- 1.2	

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Pacific Basin	163.90	-0.2	- 0.8	1.17	113.58	2.0
Europe/Pacific	178.16	-0.6	- 1.0	2.04	138.64	2.3
World	202.46	0.4	0.1	2.15	173.34	1.

Source: Goldman, Sachs & Co. Exchange rates as of Friday's London close. Ø 1996 The Financial Times Ltd., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Standard & Poor's.

CURRENCIES									
Exchange rate	Friday	Last Friday	Week % Chg.	Year Ago					
Japanese yen to tha U.S. dollar	106 60	105.35	+1.19	99.40					
German marks to the U.S. dollar	1.4905	1.4803	+0.69	1.5155					
Canadian dollars to the U.S. dollar	1.3819	1.3672	+1.09	1.4145					
U.S. dollars to the British pound	1.5037	1.5115	-0.52	1.5890					

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ta this summer.

"We've got to get something going this summer to make money," he tells Mrs. Brooks as he sits down for a lunch of fried pork chop, mashed potatoes and fried okra. He suggests that she place coocession stands on the corner outside the restaurant and general store she owns to sell items like boiled peanuts and candy to passing tourists. Far from the modulated tones of Atlanta board rooms, his voice slips into the inflections of his Southern youth and the words come out "bald peanuts."

"I like making money better than spending it," Mrs. Brooks says with a laugh. She allows that she has been to Atlanta only once in her life, has never flown on an airplane and has never seen the ocean "except on TV, so I know what it looks like."

Her son, Gil, seated at another table, grumbles that his outboardmotor repair business is so seasonal that he is idle most of the winter months.

Mr. Tarkeoton, dressed in a dark blue cable-knit sweater and jeans, says the young man should consider expanding his operations to include pontooo boat and personal watercraft rentals and repairs. "See, you've got to leverage your assets and leverage your location," he says. Before be departs he writes down his "800" number and tells Mr. Brooks to call him and he will help him contact regional representatives for watercraft like Jet Ski and Sea-Doo.

A few minutes later he is in the home of Charles and Susanne Poole, old friends who run a lakeside marina. They are sitting beside a woodburning stove. He says he will arrange for Coca-Cola to ship them a

school when he earned pocket money talking to football booster clubs. And the television infomercials, in which he plays a wide-eyed gym rat or a regular-guy product pusher, pay handsomely but remain a sideline.

What makes him stand out is his constop enthusiasm to come out on top and, he says, help others in the process. Setbacks, he says confidently - whether losing three Super Bowls or losing a small fortune in business - only energize him for oew opportunities.

Bud Grant, his former Vikings coach, recognized the trait early. "This fellow really fills out his life with something meaningful almost every moment," he remarked 20 years ago.

Perhaps the easy answer to his ambition and drive is the most obvious one - he was always a striver who made things look easy, who overcame bumble beginnings and not overly impressive raw talent to prove himself over and over again. He was the third son of a poor Pentecostal preacher whose ministries carried him from Richmond. where Mr. Tarkenton was born on Feb. 6, 1940, to Washington. When he was 11 the family moved to Athens, Ga., home of the University of Georgia

He was a lanky all-state quarterback at Athens High School and dreamed of becoming a pro. But by his sophomore year at the University of Georgia be was the third-string quarterback, "behind two guys who could throw harder and longer."

By the end of the season, he held the No. 1 spot, scoring several upsets against favored teams, and in his junior year led Georgia to a victory

blondes on his arm, while Mr. Tarkenton made spots for Hai Karate after shave and Johnson & Johnson, baby shampoo.

By the time he was traded back to the Vikings in 1972, Mr. Tarkenton had formed Behavorial Systems Inc., a management-consulting company that used psychologists to train supervisors in the textile industry in an effort to reduce turnover and raise productivity. The company eventually had 80 behavorial psychologists and changed its name to Tarkenton & Company.

But that was only the beginning. Graced with country-boy charm and affability, and careful to cultivate connections with the rich and powerful through his sports-star cachet, Mr. Tarkenton used the twilight of his playing career to step almost seamlessly into a new world of opportunity while most football veterans were looking ahead to a leisurely retirement. He juggled his last playing years with running Tarkenton & Company and toiling as a sports reporter for NBC. After leaving football, he did a guest shot on "Saturday Night Live," shared the broadcast booth with Howard Cosell and Frank Gifford on ABC'a "Monday Night Football," went through a divorce - he has been married twice since - and was co-host of a popular ABC weekly stunt show called 'That's Incredible."

He also started a profitable business turning out advertising for airline ticket jackets, formed insurance, advertising and public relations firms, and still found time to write a book, "How to Motivate Peo-

expressed bitterness before the set tlement

"I'm not going to let that anger from him impact my life," Mr. Tarkenton reflected the day after the drive through north Georgia. "I've learned throughout my football and business career that after setbacks - and nothing could set you back more than losing three Super Bowls in front of the entire world - the best thing to do is refocus that negative energy into positive energy."

Knowledgeware was acquired by Sterling for about \$73 million. Mr. Tarkenton's share came to just over \$6 million in stock, in addition to a \$300,000-a-year consulting fee and a seat on Sterling's board for five years. Sterling's stock has nearly doubled since buying Knowledgeware. So investors who bought Knowledgeware at the initial offering and beld on have about \$9 worth of Sterling stock for each \$12.50 share they had bought back in 1989. Mr. Tarkenton, on the other hand, has enjoyed at least \$6 million in cash from his old shares in Knowledgeware and still has another \$11 million or so of Sterling stock.

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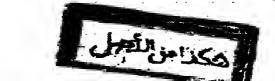
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Burned by the personal computer the last time around, Mr. Tarkenton now says he is forming a company that will belp smail-business people use the internet, an opportunity he sees as only in its infancy.

As for Super Bowl XXX, he will spend the day in typical Tarkenton fashion, getting paid to provide commentary on the game for Citgo executives meeting in Hawaii. Another day, another \$15,000 in the bank.

DOMESTIC EQUITIES		DOMESTIC BONDS		AROUND THE WORLD		BONDS		OTHER INVESTMENTS
Broad market S.& P. 500 index	Up 1.60% 621.62	Treasuries Ryan Labs. Total Return	Down 0.37% 192.33	European stocks F.TActuaries Europe	Down 1.18% 198.39	Long bonds 30-year Treasuries	6.04% Up 7 basis pts.	Money market funds 5.0 Bank fund average Down 1 basis
Blue chips Dow 30 industrials	Up 1.68% 5,271.75	Bond Buyer index	Down 0.98% 120.47	Asian stocks* F.TActuaries Pacific Ba	Dowa 0.17% asin 163.90	Short bonds 2-year Treasuries	5.03% Unchanged	Bank C.D.'s 4.8 1-year small savers Down 3 basis
Russell 2000 index	Up 1.95% 311.22	Corporates Merrill Lynch Master inde	Down 0.41% x 820.67	Gold New York cash price Foreign indexes are shown in doitar	Up 1.48% \$405.80 terms.	Municipals Bond Buyer index. 100 basis points = 1 percentage	5.63% Up 7 basis pts. point	Stocks 2.2 S.& P. 500 dividend yield Down 3
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Real prospect of danger forces detention

ASHER FELIX LANDAU

telephone and visiting privileges. Counsel for the state said the

injury to Cytryn's daughter and

the possibility of a lesser restric-

tion on him had been considered

by the commander, and counsel's

contention in this regard was mis-

taken. He submitted the judge was

quite independent. He argued the

detention was fully justified, stressing the redeployment of the

army and the elections in the terri-

tories. In regard to prison condi-

tions, be argued Cytryn could sub-

mit his complaints to the warden

under section 62A of the Prisons

Ordinance (New Version) of 1971.

with counsel's consent, had read

the classified evidence. It was sat-

isfied the interests of justice made

it preferable to keep it secret

rather than disclosing it, and it

could also not be disclosed in this

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say, as be told counsel, that it

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and, in the opinion of the security

authorities, he could easily pro-

ceed to acts endangering public

After considering the evidence in greater detail, Justice Barak

held the facts before the comman-

der fully justified the conclusion

that if Cytryn were freed, there

would be an almost certain

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Cytryn's detention, be continued,

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In regard to the conditions of

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In the Supreme Court, sitting as o High Court of Justice, before the president, Justice Aharon Barak, and justices Mishael Cheshin and Tova Strassberg-Cohen, in the matter of Shmuel Cytryn, petitioner, versus the IDF commander in Judea ond Samaria (H.C. 7709/95).

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vtryn immigrated to Israel in 1978, and was active in the Jewish Defense League and Kach, a movement declared by the area military commander to be a terrorist organization. Three orders were issued limiting his entry to holy places, the third on January 1, 1995, effective until April 5. In November 1995, be was charged in the Jerusalem Magistrates Court with unlawfully possessing several magazines of ammunition for automatic weapons in his Kiryat Arba bome.

On November 30, 1995, the 1DF commander in Judea and Samaria. acting nnder Administrative Detention Order (Interim Provisions) (Judea and Samaria) No. 1223 of 1988, ordered Cytryn's detention from December 3, 1995, to March 3. 1996.

He appealed before a legally qualified military judge wbo allowed the appeal in part, requiring shortening the detention to end on February 9, 1996. Cytryn then petitioned the Snpreme Court, sitting as a High Court of Justice, to set the order aside.

JUSTICE BARAK delivered the judgment of the court. The judge, he said, declined to disclose to Cytryn part of the evidence which was classified. However, he held that Cytryn had a background of violence and extreme utterances against Arabs, and had continued making these statements despite the ban on his visiting holy places. He had also expressed support for the slaugh-ter in the Cave of the Patriarchs (the Machpela Cave). The judge was convinced his conduct "actually and immediately endangered. the security of the area and the

public."

Professor Leonid Gozman talks to Abraham Rabinovich about what he sees as the eventual extinction an order of his military superior. He also complained of the condiof communism tions of Cytryn's detention regarding his praying in a minyan, receiving glatt kosher food, use of

escending from his academic tower to Dexperience the grit of Russian grass-roots politics, Leonid Gozman – a Jewish professor of political psychology at Moscow State University – ran for the Duma in last month's elections.

The provincial district in which be campaigned on a capitalist ticket had little sympathy for Jews, capitalists or Moscow intellectuals, and he was not elected. But his view of the underside of the Russian body politic in a dark season has left him with a surprisingly hopeful feeling - optimistic might be too strong a word - that Russia may yet be saved. If we manage to survive the next four, [or] five years without a major war, we should be all right," be said last week chiring a visit to Jerusalem.

This is not an obvious conclusion, coming in the wake of an election that awarded the majority of parliamentary seats to a resurrected Communist Party and fascists led by Vladimir Zhirinovsky. Gozman himself hastened to admit that his bopes might be misplaced.

"It's an illusion to think the communists can't turn the country back," he said. "They can.'

In a scenario he quickly sketched, the communists could emerge triumphant from June's presidential elections and attempt to meet the promises they have made to various sectors, from pensioners to the military, by a massive printing of rubles leading inexorably to inflation, the end of financial stability, deficits, rationing and, finally, an attempt to divert public dissatisfaction by finding internai or external enemies.

If the communists do win the all-important presidency, Gozman is not even sure that they will manage to avoid a major war. But with something like 80 percent of communist support coming from people aged 50 or over, demography alone should begin to shift the political balance significantly towards the liberal camp by the next election, he predicted.

Gozman was a personal adviser to former prime minister Yegor Gaidar, who attempted to implement far-reaching economic reforms. Sacked by President Boris Yeltsin, Gaidar headed the most liberal party participating in the recent elections, Democratic Choice for Russia.

The underside of Russian politics

Leonid Gozman feels that if the communists do win the presidency, they most likely will not survive the public's favor by the next election.

Gozman ran on Democratic Choice's ticket. He drafted the party platform and, in an intensive month of campaigning, he made three or four speeches a day in his district. about two hours' drive from Moscow. The grayness of the towns and the passivity of their populations contrasted strongly with the dynamism and occasional sparkle of today's Moscow.

The district was like what Moscow was in the '60s - dark, cold, no sign of new life, epressed," Gozman said.

It is on such an environment of bopelessness that communism and fascism feed, he noted. The communist appeal is nostalgic -"forward to the past," Gozman said sardonically - and its constituency is principally an elderly population longing for the stability they once knew.

The communist leadership now includes many "new capitalists" who have made fortunes and aspire to being part of a financial oligarchy protected from competition. True believers in Karl Marx are confined to the rank-and-file.

In contrast, the fascist constituency is younger, working class and poorly educated. "The fascist message," Gozman said, "is 'You are strong, this is your enemy -Chechens, Jews, NATO or whatever. If we take power everybody will respect us and no longer ignore us as they do today."

AS BLEAK as the communist-fascist victory appears, Gozman said, there are good tidings from the election front as well. Even the most retrograde of the parties implicitly accepts that the fate of Russia will be decided democratically.

"I never beard a communist or fascist say that if they don't win by democratic means they will take over hy force," Gozman said. "I don't see a potential for a new revolution in Russia and that's very nice."

The level of violence and antisemitism in the campaign was much lower than expected. I drove 300 kilometers a day, met hun-dreds of people, parked my car anywhere and

nothing happened," he said. His Jewishness, which he made a point of noting in his speeches, drew adverse verbal reactions from members of the audience on only two or three occasions and other members of the audience always came to his defense

"All fascist parties which used ethnic slo-gans were defeated," he added. "Zhirinovsky's party is not nationalist fascist hut imperialist - it wants to rebuild the Russian empire. Most of his supporters know he's half-Jewish – his family name was Edelstein - but it doesn't bother them.'

There is an antimilitarism at the grass-roots level resisting the strong push for remilita-rization at the top exemplified by the Duma's decision to extend military service from 18 months to 24 months.

The most dangerous party in the election by far, Gozman said, was not the communists or fascists but the nationalist party led by Gen. Alexander Lebed, which was roundly defeated, although Lebed himself won a place in the Duma.

"In my campaign I called for reform of the army," he explained. "We have 2,000 gener-als, more than in all the NATO countries combined. The soldiers are semiliterate. They are angry, underfed, ill and subject to humiliation and hrutality. They see the generals enriching themselves. So the army cannot fight.

'In my. campaign, I called for giving Chechnya independence. They are a national independence movement and they have won this war. We have lost. I was the only candidate who said this and people responded well to it.

What does it all add up to? A slide into chaos or a bit of mild stumbling before Russia finds its feet?

"No one knows," Gozman said,

Yeltsin will probably stand for reelection in June, but he has dismissed many of the best people in government and cultivated the military-security leadership directly responsible for the Chechnya humiliation. If the communists win, war cannot be ruled out, Gozman said.

"There's no problem finding an enemy." he pointed out. "Why not a war with Ukraine over Crimea? Or with China over the Chinese who bave settled illegally in Siberia?"

Nuclear war? It's very easy to begin a limited war, Gozman noted, but you never know how it will end.

"If we survive as a country, I'm sure that the parliament elected in 1999 and the president elected in 2001 will be much more [in favor of] democracy than the current ones," he said. "We are witnessing the last gasp of communism. If we survive four or five years, it will be the end of communism. Young people don't believe in it nor do educated people or people in large cities. Time is on our side."

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Pollution laws must apply to protesters and homeowners alike

The judge, he continued, also referred to an accident in which Cytryn's daughter was badly scalded by boiling water. Cytryn attended to her with devotion, and his mental state had been seriously affected by the accident. This feature of his mental state, the judge said, had not been brought before the commander. He also held the commander had not sufficiently weighed the possibility of a lesser limitation on Cytryn, such as restricting him to Kirvat Arba. In consideration of all the circumstances, however, he decided to reduce the detention period.

Cytryn's counsel contended he was wrongly denied access to the classified evidence, submitting Cytryn had been detained for his opinions and not his deeds. He also argued the commander's failure to weigh a lesser restriction was a ground for setting the order aside. He submitted the judge could not be expected to review

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(Detentions) (Conditions 01 Administrative Detention) of 1981. However, the court had not beard full argument on this aspect, and would therefore not express an opinion.

It was to be remembered. Justice Barak concluded, that an administrative detaince was presumed innocent. He had not been tried and, of course, had not been convicted. He was therefore to be ensured the maximum possible freedom, subject only to those restrictions necessary to prevent the danger in anticipation of which be was detained.

FOR THE above reasons the petition was dismissed.

Naftali Werzberger appeared for Cytryn, and Yehuda Sbeffer, senior assistant state attorney, appeared for the state. The judgment was given on

January 18, 1996

t is a sad fact that laws against air and water pollntion are not enforced equally against offenders.

In the past few years, a large number of bomeowners bave been fined for burning a barrel of trash or a mound of leaves in their . gardens. According to the law, this constitutes air pollution and a fire hazard.

But at every demonstration, whether it be political or industrial, tires are burned and black, greasy, detestable smoke billows out over kilometers of the sur-

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seriously. above and beyond the laws of the In France, even in the wake of land. There have been cases where the massive and unprecedented people involved in industrial general strike, 600 people were cbarged and punished for contraaction have opened the taps and let raw sewage exit to the sea, an vening environmental laws. act for which any company or

municipality would bave paid enormous fines and the persons directly responsible would have Here we feel that the demonstrator - whatever bis cause - is entitled to take whatever kind of action he sees fit. . It is also a sad fact that the Histadrut seems to This all points to the fact that

ignore this problem. The labor organization has a department of environmental protection, but this section has failed to issue guidelines on what kind of action is acceptable at demonstrations and industrial action.

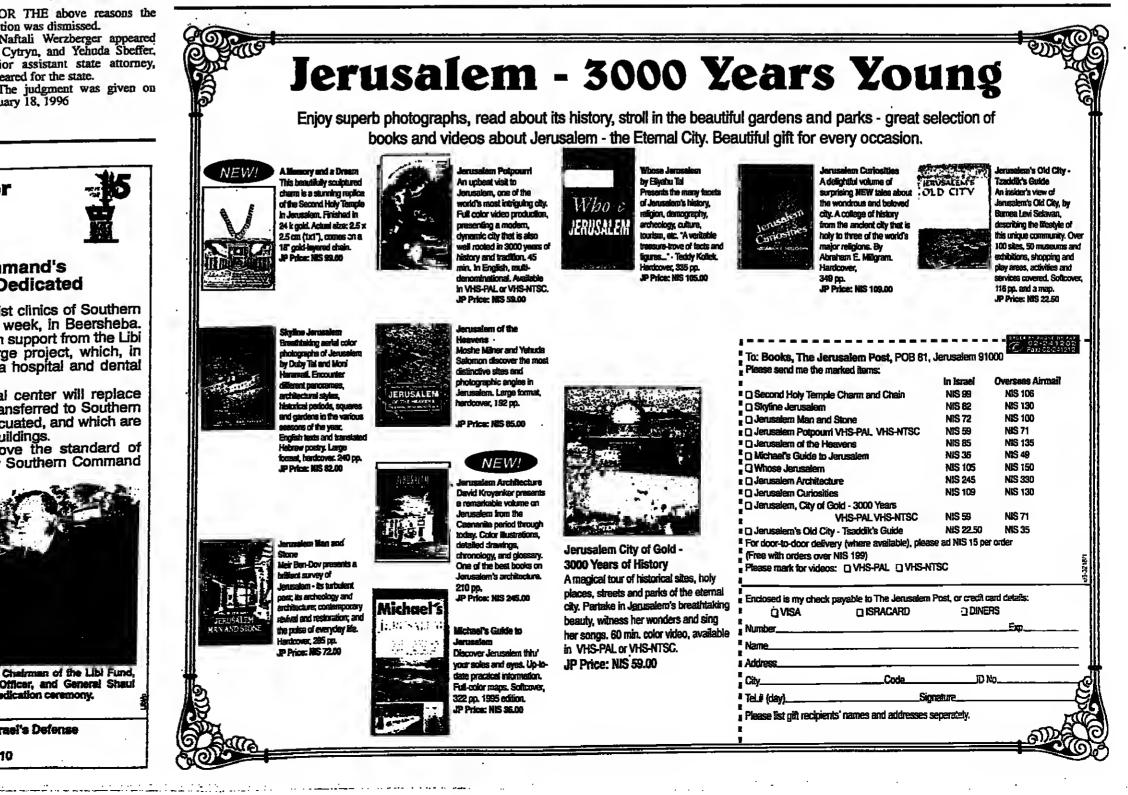
What this means is that there are different laws for different people, and the right to strike or to demonstrate takes precedence over all other laws.

But we desperately need one law for all. If the air we breathe or the water we drink is damaged by industrial pollution or by demon-

strators the result is the same: It is the public who is at risk.

It seems absurd that in a country where one can be arrested for lighting a cigarette in a public place, one can burn a dozen tires or pollute an entire coast in the name of industrial action.

What we need is not only new laws, but new attitudes. And it does not matter how sacred the national socialistic institutions hold the right to industrial action. or how well established the right to demonstrate. No one must be allowed to contravene the law.



LIBI – The Fund for Strengthening Israel's Defense

Southern Command's **Medical Center Dedicated**

A building housing the specialist clinics of Southern Command was dedicated last week, in Beersheba. The facility, which was built with support from the Libi Fund, is the first unit in a large project, which, in addition, will comprise an area hospital and dental clinic.

When completed, this medical center will replace various facilities which were transferred to Southern Command when Sinai was evacuated, and which are currently housed in run-down buildings.

This center will greatly improve the standard of medical treatment, enjoyed by Southern Command soldiers.



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BUSINESS & FINANCE

Elite aims to cut '95 trade deficit up 40% losses in Europe

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

ELITE Industries will take drastic measures to reduce its losses io Western Europe as soon as its chairman and general manager David Federman reaches a partnership agreement with Clal Industries, sources clase to the negotiations said yesterday.

Clal Industries is in intense negotiations in purchase a 21-percent stake in Elite from the Federman grnup, which contrals 42% of the controlling shares and 16% nf the slock capital.

The companies entered negotiations at the end of last week immediately after the Federman group - which includes David Federman, his father and his brather - purchased the Britisb Man company's 24% stake in the chocolate manufacturer for \$44 millinπ.

The agreement, which is being formulated by a team headed by Federman and Ctal Industries general manager Meir Laser, will include details about ownership, the company's business strategy and management. The twn sides hope to come to an agreement within the next few days,

"Our team is in negotiations with Federman, and only when we reach an agreement will we know the details." Clai Israel president and CEO David Wainshal said. "I assume we will want to be at least equal [in owner-ship]: how and if still have to be discussed."

Federman and Clal currently have a genileman's agreement whereby Clal will purchase half of Federman's shares and appoint

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Clal Israel head David Wainshal: We want to be at least equal [in ownership].(Ron Erde)

balf of Elite's board of directors. The companies also agreed that Federman will continue to manage Elite, at least in the sbort run, while Clai will appnint the chairman.

Among Federman's urgent prinrities will be to reduce Elite's losses in Western Eurape, primarily in Union. the company's coffee manufacturing subsidiary in Berlin. Elite may reportedly have to close Uninn.

According to Ha'aretz, Clal and Federman will share the "damage," amounting to some \$3 million, resulting from the high price Federman offered Man for the shares.

Federman, after receiving the green light from Clal. raised his bid so as to outbid the Bino-Liberman consortium, which also competed for the shares.

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IEC reports

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The largest gap between ex-55% lower than the previous ports and imports was recorded year. in its trade with the European Union, which registered a \$6.6b. trade surplus with Israel. The balances with the US and Asia were also negative, totaling

\$1.5b. and \$900 million respectively. Compared to 1994, Israel's Irade gap with the US grew by 78% and with Asia by 19%.

THE country's overall trade defi-cit last year, excluding diamonds,

rose 40 percent from 1994 to

\$10.3 billion, the Central Bureau

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In contrast, the diamond industry recorded a \$200m. trade surplus, up 4.5%. Half of Israel's

diamond exports went to the US. Including diamonds, Israel had a \$450m. trade surplus with the US. This surplus was, however,

Israel's trade balance is ordinarily calculated excluding diamonds, due to the relatively low added value of the industry, which imports expensive stones hefore polishing and exporting them.

Jerusalem Post Staff

The overall import of goods totaled \$28.3b. with diamonds and \$23.7b. without them. Half the imported gonds, excluding diamnnds, nriginated in the 15member European Union, 22% in the US, and 11% in Asia.

In comparison with the previous year, total imports grew \$4.1b. A particularly notable rise was registered in imports from Italy, where the lira depreciated markedly last year compared to all the major currencies.

Overall exports tataled \$19b. with diamonds and \$13.4 b. without them. Notable growth was registered in exports to Holland, Germany, France and the UK.

In Asia, exports to Korea doubled and reached \$300m., while exports to Japan grew by \$100m. Exports to India and the Philippines, meanwhile, declined by \$65m. and \$35m. respectively.

Court procedures could delay banks' decision to close on Friday

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

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five-day work week.

The source said Turbovitz does

not object to the banks' move to a

In reaction, a Bank of Israel

spokesman said Supervisor of

THE banking sector's shift to a five-day work week may be delayed by a year or two if the banks are forced to receive prior approval from the Anti-Trust Cnurt, an Association of Banks

spokesman said yesterday. The spokesman reacted to Supervisor of Monopolies Ynram Turbovitz's recent remark that the banks' move to a five-day work week is a binding agreement which is subject to the approval of the Anti-Trust Court. The banks are expected to close on Friday as of March 1,

following an agreement reached According to a Bank Association spokesman, the banks are

the issue. "I assume we will have to go to banks closing on different days of

a special court, which will decide on the issue." the spokesman said. "A legal procedure is not only complicated but can also take years, since it involves appointing a district court judge in Jerusalem who will set up a committee of representatives from the public to decide on the issue." A source close to Turbovitz said the Anti-Trust Court will have to decide if the banks' unilateral decision to close on Friday

Abeles: Against banks closing on different days, (Tav Or)

the week. He said Abeles has not placed any restrictions on banks that decide to remain open on Friday.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

MONDAY, JANUARY 29. 1996

Competition starts for small business, entrepreneur of year. The Small Business Authority is holding a competition to choose Israel's outstanding small business and entrepreneur nf the year.

The contest is open to businesses employing between one and 50 people, whose annual armover is under \$5 million. Interested candidates should contact the Small Business Authority at 03-510-7555.

The last date for aubmitting an application is February 9. This year was named the Year of the Small Business by the late Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Eleven prizes in varions categories will be awarded by Prime Minister Shimon Peres and Trade and Industry Minister Micha Harish at a ceremony to be held in Jerusalem before Independence Day.

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New Dimension Software introduces two new products: New Dimension Software, formerly 4th Dimension, has introduced two new products, Multiplatform Control-SA solution for enterprise-wide security administration and Enterprise Production Management solution for control of managing complex distributed computer environments.

New Dimension last week announced an agreement with Memco Software of New York for distribution of Multiplatform Control-SA in both the US and Canada.

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EduConcept CD game honored by 'PC Magazine': Zanrk and the Night Team in Search of Patterns, a CD game published by US edutainment company Maxis has been named one of PC Magazine's top 75 CDs of 1995. The game was developed and

Rachel Neiman

Hyper-Hyper agrees to buy Mahsanei Harakevet: Coop Blue Beersheba hypermarket Mahsanei Harakevet from HyperZol

Rachel Neiman

Suspected stock manipulator Ya'akov Eini released on bail: Suspected stock manipulator Ya'akov Eini was released on bail on Friday, while his brother Meir remains under house arrest until this Friday,

Company board members Moshe Deklo and Avi Blu have been named acting general managers of JM Eini, working alongside the Eini brothers.

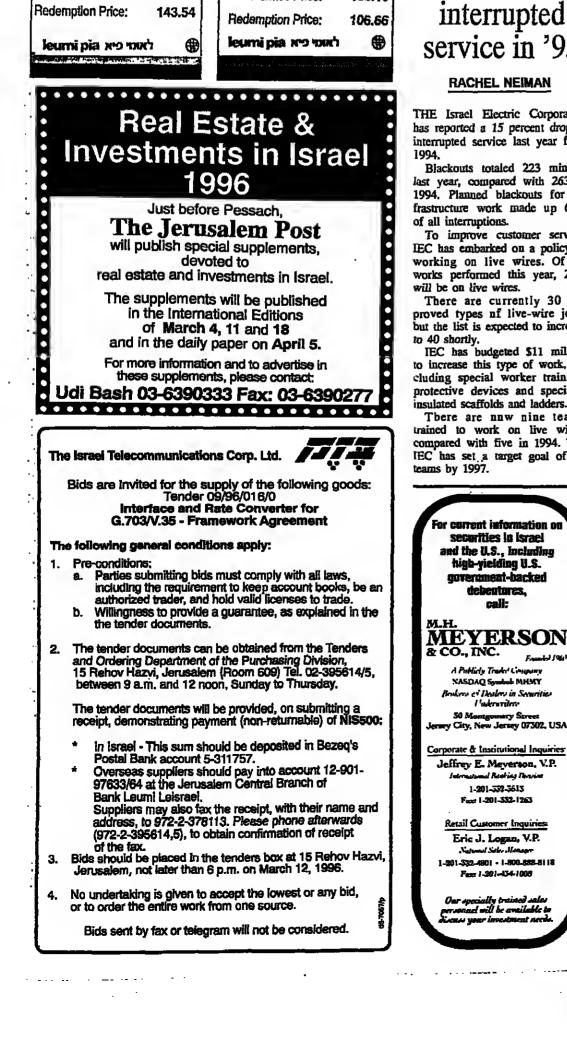
Deklo will carry out responsibilities in the areas of finance. supply and sales, while Bin will be in charge of bank cash flow. **Rachel Neiman**

Council of Transporters and Carriers calls on Peres to quicken building Trans-Israel Highway

produced by Tel Aviv-based EduConcept.

Square subsidiary Hyper-Hyper has agreed to purchase for S5 million.





service in '95 **RACHEL NEIMAN** THE Israel Electric Corporation has reported a 15 percent drop in interrupted service last year from Blackouts totaled 223 minutes last year, compared with 263 in 1994. Planned blackouts for infrastructure work made up 60%

of all interruptions. To improve customer service, IEC has embarked on a policy of working on live wires. Of all works performed this year, 20%

will be on live wires. There are currently 30 approved types nf live-wire jobs, but the list is expected to increase to 40 shortly. IEC has budgeted \$11 million

to increase this type of work, including special worker training, protective devices and specially insulated scaffolds and ladders. There are now nine teams

trained to work on live wires, compared with five in 1994. The IEC has set a target goal of 34 teams by 1997.

THE Council of Transporters and Carriers yesterday sent an urgent letter to Prime Minister Shimon Peres calling on him to speed np construction of the

Trans-Israel Highway. The letter came the day after thousands of people gathered under the auspices of the Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (SPNI) and held protest hikes near the planned Ben-Shemen Interchange.

Environmental groups are call- Menashe Haddad said the carriing for a re-evaluation of the entire project.

In their letter yesterday, the carriers noted that the highway has already been approved by the government. They called on Peres to disregard the environmentalists and their supporters in the government.

In the letter, council chairman ment policy, he said, it would

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the carriers and result in loaded trucks filling the roads, even in urban areas. ers had agreed to accept limita-Haddad said 95 percent of all tions on the movement of trucks during certain hours and in some

cargo is carried by trucks. lanes, but only because they saw the Trans-Israel Highway as an Meanwhile, he added that the government is planning to offer alternative to existing arteries Jordan the use of the Haifa and which were now closed to them. Ashdod ports. If there was any delay in build-

Also, some 100,000 new vehiing the road or change in govern- cles are being added to the roads annually.

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Maritime Bank appoints Levinson as new CEO

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

MARITIME Bank's board of directors has appointed Granit Hacarmel Property chief executive officer David Levinson as the bank's new CEO effective March 1, the bank announced yesterday.

He replaces Amir Geva, whn recently resigned.

The bank denied rumors that the change at the top is related to its recent strategic revision.

Several months ago the bank's board decided to refocus its activities from the capital market to commercial banking.

Geva is considered more of a specialist in the capital market and less in other banking

activities. The board's decision was made in reaction to Maritime's drop in earnings last year, due primarily to lower profits from capital market activities, which significantly reduced operating earnings.

The bank completed the first nine months of the year with a net profit of NIS 1.95 million, cnmpared with a net profit of NIS 13.16m. in the corresponding period in 1994

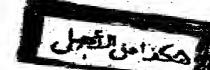
Maritime Bank said Geva's resignation was due to "personal reasons and also his intentions to engage and develop activities outside of the bank

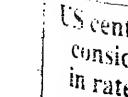
Management expressed "its appreciation to Mr. Geva and his contribution to the bank in the period during which he served as manager, period which will be remembered for the а change in the bank's business pulicy and development."

Levinson was in charge of Bank Hapoalim's overseas branches and responsible for the hank's relationship with foreign institutions and private investors, before joining Granit one year ago.

He also served as general manager of Continental Bank, a Bank Hapoalim subsidiary.

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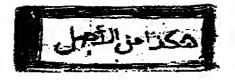
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Precious metals market starts climb toward \$400

The Jerusalem Post

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COMMODITIES ROUNDUP

FRIDAY'S precious metals market fulfilled Thursday's original forecast, as funds and speculators began to take further profits as the market mounts a slow climb toward the \$410 mark oo the April futures contract.

A stronger US dollar also kept pressure on any upside attempt by gold futures, sources said.

Continued failure to balance the federal budget or extend a debt-limit ceiling has prompted increasing alarm in the financial markets, but not all metals analysts believe that gold is being boosted by coocerns over debt limits.

At the close, February gold prices were 90 cents lower at \$405.80, April platinum prices were \$4.00 lower at \$422.10 and March palladium was \$2.95 lower at \$128.30.

Silver futures settled weaker on Friday following an early rally which stalled after gold failed to hit the key \$410 an ounce level. March silver prices were four cents lower at \$5.545 an ounce,

Silver has been persistently lagging behind gold since the beginning of the year, despite a recent decrease io Comex warehouse stocks to eight-year lows.

After a quiet day of uneventful trading, Comex copper futures ended lower oo Friday as the market absorbed another hike in LME stocks.

The March Comex copper future ended 0.70 cents down at 112.90 cents a pound.

Chot com futures were boosted to a higher close on Friday, pushed by a rally -in-the wheat pits, traders said. Prices may have also reacted to a visit to the

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Japanese mad at state loan scheme

TOKYO (Reuter) - Public anger has been running high in Japan since taxpayers learned they must help foot the hill for a bad loan mess with ngly strands snaking through the corridors of political, financial and bureaucratic power.

Monday, January 29, 1996

"Trying to find morals in politicians and bankers is like trying to find morals in cockroaches," said critic Makoto Sataka, maio speaker at a meeting on Thursday of a citizens' protest group against a government scheme to resolve the issue.

The government plans to use a huge dose of taxpayers' money to clean up the mess involving seven housing loan firms, now virtually insolvent, which sank under the weight of rash property loaos made during the "hubble" economy of the 1980s.

The loans, many of which authorities have said were made to firms linked with gangsters, went bad when the "bubble" burst and real estate prices slumped in the early 1990s.

Around 685 billion yen in pub-

lic money has already been carmarked to help cover losses from loans deemed "unrecoverable", and the ruling coalition has also promised public funds to cover half of any future losses arising. Newspaper polls have shown

that over 70 percent of Japanese oppose the use of public money in the government scheme.

"You have people who took out lozos and theo had their houses fall oo them in the [Janoary 1995] Kobe earthquake, but they still have to pay their loans back," said Hisako lwase, one of the protest group's organizers. "For the government to ask

them to bail out financial institutions which couldn't get their act together is plain wicked." Participants' anger was direct-

ed at what they saw as perpetual corruption in government, rather than the mortgage firms themselves. "It's the whole economic system which is bad - politicians, bureaucrats and hankers," . said Susumu Hirao, 67, a teacher who attended the inangural meeting.

It drew more than 250 people and the group now plans to extend its network nationwide.

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Finance Ministry hureaucrats, regulators of the industry, have come under most fire since it came to light that many secured well-paid jobs at the mortgage firms on retiring.

Right-wing activists have been especially vocal, accosing the government of using public pay for its own sins.

In two separate protest incidents in the past week, rightists rammed buses into the gates of parliament and police headquarters. In the latter case, the driver mistook the police building for the Finance Ministry.

Whether public ire will remain strong coough to change the course of the government policy is another matter.

The coalition has stated it is committed to the plan and most banks involved in the cootroversy have agreed in principle to its cootent. Moreover, the same polls which detail public anger to

threat has hit Taiwan where it

burts - in its economy.

effects.

the scheme also show strong support for new Prime Minister Ryntaro Hashimoto and his cabinet. who took office this month.

This is despite the fact that Hashimoto served as finance minister in 1990 when the ministry introduced restrictions oo lending to real estate developers but exempted mortgage firms.

The main opposition party also has ex-finance ministers in its ranks and analysts say that while it will make a song and dance about the scheme, it does not want to kill it outright.

"The plan looks like its going through... the Japanese public are going to get their pockets picked and that's the hottom line," said John Neuffer, a political analyst at Mitsui Marine Research Institute.

But Neuffer also said current fury could "make it more difficult for taxpayers' funds to be used in future bailouts," and that some amaller financially troubled banks could find themselves without government rescue plans.

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dustries Ltd., which accounts for 10% of the value of the Maof Index, rose 1%.

The Two-Sided Index closed up 0.51% at 213.23, while the Maof Index added 0.69% to 222.43.

Oo January 4, the Two-Sided reached 215.18, its highest close since May 1994.

Declining and advancing stocks were about even across the Tel Aviv Stock Exchaoge. Volume was NIS 117.7m., 13% above the mooth's average of NIS 104m.

Investors have an eye oo the central bank, which today will set the rate at which it leads to banks. That figure is 13.7% and few analysis see the hank making (Bloomberg) any change.

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of missile strikes after the election to teach a lesson to the expected victor in the polls, Presi-

dent Lee Teng-hui. "Very few people are willing to enter the market oow amid all these uncertaioties," said Eric Liu of brokerage National Securities in Taipei. "It's too much of a nisk,"

TAIPEI (Reuter) - China's latest cized the government for antagonizing China just as newly released figures showed this island's slowing economy could ill-afford a confidence crisis.

"I think the political argument at this stage is silly, because people's welfare is more important,' said Earle Ho, chairmao and CEO of major steelmaker Tung Ho Steel Enterprise.

Ho's company has joined in a US\$60 million tin plate project in down 3.5 percent from the start of the week and below the 5,000-China. Like many Taiwan invespoint level which had acted as a tors on the Chinese mainland, it key support in the slow recovery sees good relations with Beijing of a market that fell 27% in 1995. as paramount.

Brokers said the fall was due to Ho said Taiwan's economy was China's reported plan for 30 days plagued by rising costs and narrowing profit margins - two of many complaints cited by investors who have poured US\$24 billico ioto China's promisiog market.

The New York Times report quoted Chinese officials as telling a former US administration official that Beijing wanted to pressure Lee into scaling back his ef-

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recognition for Taiwan.

China, which has been at odds with Taiwan since the end of a civil war in 1949, regards the island as a renegade province that is not entitled to a place on the world stage.

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At the root of China's anger with Taiwan is a belief that Lee, while professing a goal of reunification, wants to steer the island toward formal independence from its giant neighbor.

But while many in Taiwan support a separate political identity, more and more people see that their economic future is inseparable from China.

A Chinese National Federation of Industries survey said last week that 70.18 percent of 117 local businessmeo polled were apprehensive over mounting tensions across the Taiwan Straits. Most respondents also said

Taiwan's grand design to eogineer itself into a regional ceoter for manufacturing, financial and transport industries would be just a dream unless relations with

China improved.

"Who, I ask you, is going to make their regional operations base in a island under constant threat of attack from one of the most unpredictable countries on earth?" said a representative from a major foreign manufactur-

ing company based here. Other analysts said a spate of statistics showing declining health in this Asian Tiger's economy would put pressure on Lee to find an accommodation with China as

the election nears, On Saturday the index of leading indicators, which forecasts economic activity, predicted a declining tread or "blue light" for the third straight month.

Businessmen pessimistic about the economy outnumbered optimists for the eighth consecutive mooth, with 27% expectiog a dowoturo while 15% seeing growth, the government said.

Industrial output in December fell 2.12% from a year earlier, the first year-on-year decline for 22 months.

(Meir Ronen) Alarmed, industrialists. criti-_ forts to gain greater-international

Beijing's refusal to deny a New York Times report that it has plans for a "limited attack" on

the island after presidential elections here on March 23, has had both concrete and psychological Taiwan's share index closed on Saturday at 4,861.53 points,

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Soybean futures closed lower on fund selling on Friday, traders said. Favorable crop weather in South America also contributed to a bearish sentiment and the March futures contract closed down one at \$7.241/2 per bushel.

A price correction after a twoday rally eased NYCE conton futures to a slightly lower close on Friday, traders said. The active March contract closed down 0.24 cents at 87.50 a pound.

CSCE March sngar fotores ended sharply higher in brisk trading on Friday as fund buying pushed the March contract to an 11-month settlement bigh, traders said. The March contract settled 0.47 bigher at 12.19 cents a pound.

CSCE coffee fotures settled higher for the fourth consecutive day on Friday, boosted by fresh fncd hoying, traders said. The March contract settled 5.20 cents higher at 116.95 cents a pound.

Ao accouncement by the ACPC that they would extend the coffee export quota scheme beyond June 1996 also supported prices.

Coursesy of Michael Zwebner, CommStock Trading Ltd.

US central bank considers cut in rates again

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - The Federal Reserve meets this week to consider cutting interest rates for the second time in two months to pep up the US economy.

With growth slowing and inflation fears receding, most analysts are convinced another rate cut is likely, but they are unsure whether it will occur this week or later in the first quarter.

In a poll of 50 private economists. 43 forecast the central bank would lower short-term rates in the first quarter. About half expect the Fed to act this week, at a two-day meeting that SLATS TOCOORTON:

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Malaysia moves to check inflation

KUALA LUMPUR (Renter) -Malaysia's anoouncement of a boost in bank statutory reserve requirements (SRR) is a key step in fighting inflation and halting a said vesterday.

Baok Negara Malaysia, the central bank, said on Saturday it was raising the SRR - funds that must be placed interest free with the central bank - to 12.5 percent of a financial institution's total deposits and other liabilities. The rate oow stands at 11.5% and the rise takes effect on Thursday.

The SRR was last raised in 1994 by two perceotage points. The economists said the measure itself may have a limited impact, hut it showed Malaysia wanted to tackle issues that had made interoational investors wary of the booming economy. Malaysia is expected to post

economic growth of over 8% for a ninth consecutive year in 1996. "This does not come as a hig

sorprise ... [hot shows] they're really serious about this," said Liew Yio Sze, economist with Singapore-hased brokerage J.M. Sassoon & Co.

"By a simple administrative decree they will be mopping up two hillioo ringgit from the market, interest free," he said. According to the head of re-

search at a foreigo iovestment bank Malaysia is now facing its problems head-on.

"Raising the SRR is the fastest and the most effective way to tighteo monetary policy. It is better than raising rates in the interbank market and is 3 more productive long-term measure," he said.

He said this move would help the ringgit against the US dollar, push up interest rates which will curb consumption and reduce the central bank's open market intervention costs.

"Coming just before Hari Raya (Eid al-Fitr) and Chiocse New Year, it will slow down consumption slightly," he added.

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Malaysia'a money markets are awash with funds due to foreign investment in financial markets and the non-replacement of maturing government securities due slide in the currency, economists to the privatization of state companies.

The ringgit has for the past few months been under attack from speculators, mainly US bedge funds, who view the currency as overvaloed due to the country's large current account deficit.

Bank Negara has regularly intervened in the money market-to mop up excess liquidity. It has also stepped into the foreign exchange market to sell the US dollar to slow the ringgit's decline;

Both measures have seriously depleted the ceotral hank's reserves, economists said.

Some economists and bank dealers said they feared the market might perceive the latest policy chaoge as a temporary measure

"The SRR change will ooly have a short-term impact - that too ooly oo ooe-month (ioterbank) deposit rates, which will go up," said the head of foreign exchange dealing at a bank.

She said the ringgit, which had been declining sharply until recently, had already reacted to rumors of the impending change late oo Friday in Loodon aod New York, rising to 2.5530 per dollar from 2.5575 at close of the local market.

"We believe the monetary policy will start easing off after six months," she said. "Right now, the central bank wants to be seen as doing something to manage the economy better."

But some economists said that if the latest move is seeo as temporary, additiooal measures could be expected from the central bank.

"If more people think the measure is temporary, it is not going to be effective," said the Sassooo economist. "Then there may be a further tighteolog of mooetary policy."

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Becker wins Australian Open Jamchee No. 1 scorer

MELBOURNE (AP) – Michael Chang was surprised at how patiently Boris Becker played at the start of their Australian Open final.

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That was an unusual tactic for the free-swinging Becker, and it got him off to a 4-0 lead on his way to a 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 triumph

yesterday. But over the long run, the German who burst on the scene by becoming the youngest Wimbledon champion ever at age 17 in 1985 has been patiently working his way back up after a five-year drought in Grand Slam tournaments.

His last Grand Slam victory had been in 1991, also in the Australian, when he climbed briefly to the No. 1 ranking. He shipped out of the top 10 in the rankings in 1993. In the 'Australian Open, he lost in the first round in 1993, skipped 1994 and lost in the first round again in 1995.

Attention here focused on who would emerge No. 1 – Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi or Thomas Muster. Sampras was gone after ahree rounds and Muster after four. Agassi thus was able to reglaim the top ranking by reach-·Ing the semifinals.

Meanwhile, Chang was charg-ing through to the final without -losing a set - even against Agassi. Becker was struggling, coming from behind in his first two rounds - both five-set matches before starting to find his form.

. In losing to Chang. Agassi went all-out for winners, often hitting big misses instead.

Yesterday. Becker broke in Chang's first two service games by setting up his points carefully. changing pace and drawing Chang vinto uncharacterisoc errors.

"""""He was playing some pretty good patient tennis today, the kind of tennis you normally wouldn't see as much from Boris," Chang _saio.

Acrohatic volleys reminiscent of the young Bons also helped.

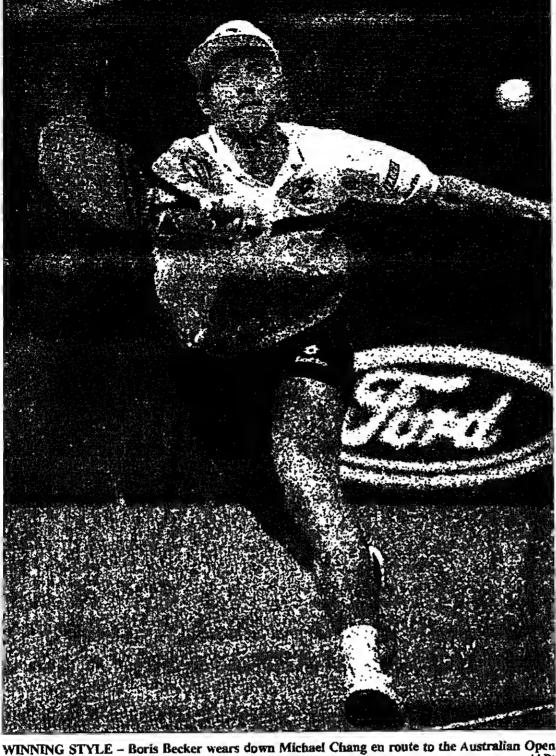
"It's a bit frustrating because you have an opportunity to put the ball away and Boris just happens to guess right on the shot and get his racket on it and play a great shot," Chang added.

Becker married in 1993, at his career's low point. He said yesfterday that his wife asked for another Grand Slam triumph: "Please do it one more time for .me.

", "I was patient," he said. "It took me 21/2 years to get closer and çlöser.

"He studied why other players -were beating him.

"I sort of changed my whole game. I started from the serve. from the second serve, my volley.



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strokes. I think I became a complete player who doesn't rely only on his first serve hut who changes his tactics sometimes." Becker added.

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Now, "in the autumn of my career." the 28-year-old Becker said he still can add to his total of six Grand Slam otles. He has his sights set now on the French Open, the only Slam he hasn't won.

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year, something fast done by a man when Rod Laver did it in 1969, "is a dream of minc," Chang acknowledged the expec-

tations on him after he won the French Open in 1989, also at age 17. He since has reached only two Grand Slam finals, losing to Muster in the French last year before

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very unexpected," he said, and now "sometimes people forget I'm only 23 years old.... I feel like my best tennis is still abead of me. ... Hopefully things will come my

way soon. The tournament brought oo change to the rankings of Becker. who is No. 4, and Chang, who is No. 5. Muster moved to No. 2

Mac. Jerusalem players go on strike

MACCABI Jerusalem decided not to make the trip up north, and lost. Happel Safed decided m make the journey down south, and won. Herzliya pulled out a last second victory over Holon while Doron Jamchee moved past Mickey Berkovitz as the league's all-time leading scorer. Just another week in the National Basketball League. Galil Elyon 113, Mac. Jerusalem 81

It was a sad night in the annals of the National Basketball League as theMaccabi Jerusalem organization stuck over a lack of funding as none of the players on the 12 man roster made the mp up north to Kfar Bloom. Galil coach David Blan, in a show of class, decided not to give his starters extensive pleying time in an effort not to embarrass the Jerusalem

youth team that played oo the club's behalf. An interesting result of the strike was that for the first time in recent

memory, ten native Israelis stanted a game. One of those sabras, game. Jerusalem's Shahar Amon, proved to be a lone bright light in an otherwise dreary evening by scoring 34 points and establishing himself as a name to watch out for in the near future. Happel Safed 93, Happel Ellat 80

Hapoel Safed, another team mired in financial troubles, made the trip down south after the Safed Municipality funneled NIS I million to the club yesterday afternoon. It proved to be a worthwhile journey as Safed improved their record to 7-5

and kept their upper-playoff hopes alive. Safed jumper out to a 22-6 lead and forced Eilat to play comeback the rest of the way. Eilar, led by J.J. Eubanks and Rotem Ehrlich clawed their way

JUDOKA Yael Arad picked up a

bronze medal in her first tourna-

ment of the year on Saturday.

Fighting in the 61 kilogram

weight group in the Moscow

Open Championships; Arad took

third place hy beating the Barcelona Olympic champion in the 56 kg class, Miriam Blasco

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back into the game and closed the gap to 41-37 at the half. The game remained close throughout most of the second half, but every time that it appeared that Eilat had a chance of taking the lead, Safed super-star Melvin Neubern seemed to retaliate with either a clutch basket or a big assist to extend the lead. Neubern proved to be too much, especially in the second half when he scored 24 of his 33 points as Safed pulled it out in the end. Neubern was ably assisted by Barak Peleg (13 points) who also con-tributed two clutch baskets late in the second half.

second half. Bnei Herzliya 78, Hapoel Holon 77 Herzliya proved to be the venue of the only exciting game of the night, as Viki Revach missed a short jumper at

their respective clubs. Herzliya's Lior Arditti and John Hudson, in an attempt to offset the obsence of their leading scorer Amir Katz (out with injury) asserted them-selves offensively in the second half, such and the second half.

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the end of the game allowing Bnei Herzliya to escape with the victory. The game was tight throughout the first half as Devid Thirdkill and

Derrick Hamilton paced the way for their respective clubs.

enabling Herzlive to jump out to 68-57 lead with under seven minutes remaining. It was then that Herzliva point guard, Ami Nawi picked up his Holon coach Hanoch Mintz made e brilliant tactical move by shifting his top offensive threat, Milt Wagner, to the PG position opposite Newi. Wagner abused Nawi until Herzliya coach Muli Katzurin inserted Koren Amisha opposite Wagner. The move

was to no avail, however, as Holon rode its momentum to a 74-73 lead

Herzliya came right back with a Hudson slam to take back the lead, 75-74. Herzliya maintained its one point margin until Steve Malovic turned the ball over with 30 seconds to go, allowing Holon to take the games last shot. However, Revach couldn't connect on However, Kevach couldn't connect on his medium-range jump shot and Herzliya held on. Arditti had 24 points while Hudson and Thirdkill chipped in 19 and 17, respectively. Hamilton had 17 for Holon had 17 for Holon.

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Arad claims bronze

from Spain. Arad won her first fight against an opponent from the Czech Republic and then lost hy ippon to a Russian judoka. She won her last two fights against a Polish

opponent and then Blasco to collect the bronze medal.

Arad, together with her coach Dani Leopold and Einat Yaron arrived in Russia after a 22-hour flight from their training camp in Austria and Arad managed to grab just four bours sleep before appearing for her fight.

Villa makes it to final 16

LONDON (Reuter) - A 63rd minute penalty from -Dwight Yorke gave Aston Villa & 1-0 win at First -Division Sheffield United yesterday and a place in the fifth round of the F.A. Cop.

After heavy snowfalls wiped out 11 of Saturday's 14 scheduled ties, and with two of the three matches that were played ending in draws, Manchester United is the only other team assured of a place in the last 16.

Yorke, who scored the winner when Villa beat Tottenham 2-1 in the league last week, cooly stroked the half over United goalkeeper Alan Kelly to give Villa victory. The spot-kick was awarded after Villa's Serbian international striker Savo Milosevic was fouled.

Sheffield United, the hottom team in the First Division, who knocked out Arsenal in the third und, made little impression on the visitors who had an even bigger margin.

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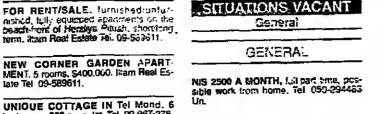
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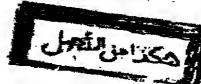
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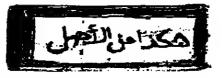
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CHANNEL 2

13:00 Talking About It - Danny Roup talks to people with interesting sto-ries 14:00 Bay City - Australian chil-dren'e drama 14:30 Tick Tack 15:00 Pinocchio — with Hebrew dubbing 15:30 Dreams with Uzi Hitman 16:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:00 News magazine with Rafi Reshef 17:30 A Matter of Time - drama for youth 18:00 Santa Barbara - soap opera 19:00 Baywatch 20:00 News 20:30 It's a Deal - game show 21:05 Zehu Zeh - comedy 21:40 Dan Shilon live 23:15 Sirens - police drama series 00:00 News 00:05 Sirens (continued) 00:20 Machos -dating game 00:45 Starsky and Hutch - police series 01:35 Israell songs 02:00 Poem of the Day

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MIDDLE EAST TV

14:00 The 700 Club 14:55 Film 16:30 Moornins 18:55 Heathcliff 17:20 Inspector Gadget 17:45 Superbook 18:10 Snowy River 19:10 Magnum P.I. 20:00 World News Tonight (Arabic) 20:30 CNN Headine News 21:00 The Bill Cosby Show 21:30 Diagnosis Murder 22:20 A Quest 23:10 700 Club 00:00 Special Program

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FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Falcon Crest 9:00 One Life to Live 9:45 The Young and the Restless 10:30 Second Time Around 10:55 Daddy's Girls 11:25 Celeste 12:10 Neighbors 12:36 Perry Mason 13:30 Starting at 1:30 14:05 The Trials of Rosle O'Neill 14:55 Falcon Crest 15:45 ENG 16:45 Neighbors 17:10 Antonella 18:00 One Life to Live 19:45 The Young and The Restless 18:30 Local broadcast 20:00 Celeste 20:50 Hanging with Mr. Cooper 21:15 The Nanny 21:40 Mad About You 22:05 Frasier 22:30 Mit. Cooper 21:15 The Natury 21:35 Mad About You 22:05 Frasier 22:30 Muddling Through 23:20 Mad About You 23:45 Sisters 00:35 St. Elsewhere 1:25 Knots Landing

MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10:30 Don't Tell Mom the abysitter's Dead (1991) - Home Alone-type comedy starting Christina Applegate (rpt) 12:15 The Man with the Golden Arm (1955) – Oth Preminger directs Frank Sinatra in this drama about an ex-con trying to turn over a new leaf (rpt) 14:10 Mad Ads 14:45 Baby of the Bride (1991) drama about a fortysomething woman who decides to have a baby (pt) 19:20 Micha (1992) - Russian coming-of-age drama about a young boy living alone with his mother after his father has escaped to Germany (88 mins) 17:50 Memphis (1992) – in the '50s three drifters kidnap the grandson of a wealthy black industri-alist (rpt) 19:25 Bullseye (1990) – action cornedy starring Michael Caine and Roger Moore as two dia-mond thieves who pretend to be scimond thereas who pretend to be schematists setting secrets. Directed by Michael Winner (88 mins) 21:00 House of Cards (1993) – Kathleen Turner plays a mother who returns with her two children to the US after her husband is killed in Mexico. Her six-year-old daughter withdraws into herself and psychiatrist Tommy Lee Jones diagnoses autism. Directed by Michael Lessac (107 mins) 22:50 Final Appeal (1993) - courtroom drama about a battered wife who kills her husband and says it was in self-defense. Starring JoBeth Williams and Brian Dennehy. Directed by Eric Teale (92 mins) 00:25 Tha Naked Target – Anthony Perkins stars in this comedy about a nerd carrying class-fied Information (npt) 2:05 E' la Tendresse... Bordel (1979) - French between three couples (npt)

Girl 17:10 Loony Toons 17:30 Saved by the Bell 18:00 Hugo 18:35 White Fang 18:00 The Magical World of Dinosaurs 18:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:25 Family Ties 20:50 Mork and Mindy 21:20 Cheers

SECOND SHOWING (6) 22:00 A Touch of Evil (1858) -

Atmospheric suspense drama writ-ten anddirected by Orson Welles. A ten anddirected by Orson Welles. A policeman honeymooning in a Mexican border town clashes with the local police chief over a murder. Starring Welles, Charlton Heston, Janet Leigh and Marlene Dietrich (108 mins) 23:55 All Night Long (1961) – A jazz trumpeter tries to strangle his wife at an all-night party because of a rumor put about by a jeelous rival. Excellent jazz sound-track. Starring Patrick McGoohan and Richard Attenborough. Directed by Basil Dearden (87 mins)

DISCOVERY (8)

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ITV 3 (33)

17:00 Cartoons 17:30 Migrabing Birds 18:30 Panorama with Zaldan Atshe 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 Songs We Loved 20:00 Mabat News 20:45 The Diviners (1992) - the story of an author who lost her par ents at a young age and spent the rest of her life trying to understand her loss (112 mins) 22:40 The Sexual Imperative 00:00 Closedown

ETV 2 (23)

15:30 Hey Dad 16:00 Math enrichment 17:00 At the Bottom of the Sea With Delphi 17:30 Time Out 18:00 The Herodian Kingdom, Between East and West 19:30 Family Relations 18:00 Basic Arabic 18:30 Before Induction - program about army service 20:00 A New Evening (with Russlan subtitles) 20:30 The Agatha Christie Hour 21:30 Korea -The Unknown War 22:30 Spirited

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9:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 ITN World News 7:15 NBC News 7:30 Steals and Deals 8:00 The Today Show 10:00 Super Shnp 11:00 European Money Wheel 15:30 The Squawk Box 17:00 US Money Wheel 19:30 FT Business Tonight 19:00 ITN News 19:30 Frost's Century 20:30 The Selina Scott Show 21:30 Frontal 22:30 ITN News 23:00 Supersport 00:00 Best of the Tonight Show 1:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien

STAR PLUS

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CHANNEL 5

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PRIME SPORTS

6:00 Australian Open tennis high-lights 7:00 International sports mag-azine 8:00 Rugby 9:30 Asian soccer show 10:30 Grand Slam tennis 12:30 Baseball magazine 13:00 Australian Open tennis men's final 18:00 Superbowl: Dallas Cowboys vs Pittsburg 21:00 Golf from Singapore 23:00 Asian sports show 00:00 WWF 1:00 Australian Open tennis men's final

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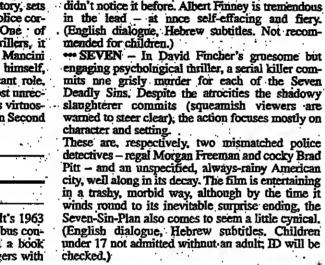
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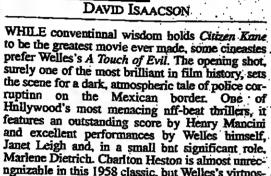


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Brad Pitt goes after a thematic serial killer in Seven.

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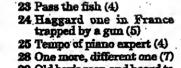
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- 12 Lucky, but likely to become stuck perhaps (5)
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- 18 Place a heavy burden on reporters after the operation (7) 21 One quit bad coaching for a
- dish of dumplings (7)



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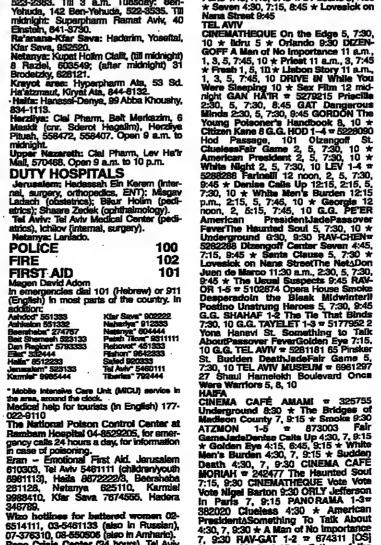
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Supreme Court refuses to free Klingberg

THE Supreme Court yesterday rejected convicted spy Marcus Klingberg's request for early release, out of fear that if he were free, he might unwittingly reveal the top-secret information he possesses to Israel's enemies.

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"This is an assumption that is hard for me to live with," said Klingherg's attorney. Avigdor Feldman, in response to the ruling. Many people are party to classified information that could do damage if revealed unwittingly, he said, and they are not behind hars. Therefore, he said, there is no justification for keeping Klingberg in prison unless he actually wants to create trouble which the court agreed that he does not.

Klingberg, 78, was sentenced to 20 years in prison in 1983 for giving the Soviet Union information on chemical and biological warfare while he was serving as deputy head of the Biological Institute in Ness Ziona.

Klingberg appealed to the Supreme Court for early release on humanitarian grounds in July, after the Beersheba District Court had rejected a similar request.

- The request was based on the fact that Klingberg suffers from a variety of illnesses, any of which EVELYN GORDON

could kill him at any minute. Klingberg is also no longer a danger to the state, Feldman argued, because, with the collapse of the Soviet Union, his motive for spying has disappeared.

Justices Aharon Barak, Eliezer Goldberg, and Dov Levine agreed that Klingberg's severe illness would normally be grounds for release, and cited a previous cnurt ruling that "the court, in sentencing the guilty party to prison, did not intend to sentence him to life, and did not intend that the prisoner die in jail."

In Klingberg's case, however, humanitarian reasons are outweighed by the "genuine or almost certain danger" to national security which Klingberg represents, they said. Klingberg's illnesses have in no way affected his memory, the clarity of his thought or his speech, and the information he retains would almost certainly cause "incalculahle damage" if obtained hy a hostile party, they said.

The justices accepted Feldman's argument that Ktingberg no longer had any desire to damage national security, noting that the state did not even contest this

claim. However, they also accepted the General Security Service's estimation that information could easily be passed on by Klingberg nuwittingly, in casual conversation, without his even realizing how much damage the particular item he was revealing could cause.

Since he cannot be prevented from speaking to anyone if he is released, there is no way to prevent this danger except by continuing to keep him in prison, the justices concluded.

"An innocent question from a guest is likely to elicit a response whose damage to state security would be extremely great, without [Klingberg] himself even be-ing aware of the danger entailed hy his answer," the justices wrote.

The justices also considered former GSS head Ya'acov Perry's estimation that the state could afford to release Klingberg, since the chances of him revealing any secrets were slim. However, they said, this opinion was contradicted hy the entire rest of the security establishment, including current GSS chief Karmi Gillon and all the GSS department heads, and they had to prefer the majority opinion.



Police confront angry Ethiopians outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday. (Brian Hendler)

IDF ordered to explain army imprisonment regulations

THE High Court of Justice yesterday gave the army 60 days to justify a regulation -enabling soldiers to be held in prison for 25 days before being hrought before a judge.

The order was issued in response to a petition hy five military defense attorneys and the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI). The petitioners argued that the army, like the civilian authorities, should be able to hold someone for no more than 48 hours before he is brought before a judge. Any longer period is a severe infringement on the prisoner's rights, and violates the Basic Law: Human Dignity and

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The government has submitted a hill limiting the maximum period of arrest before seeing a judge to eight days, and Law Committee chairman Dedi Zucker (Meretz) has submitted his own hill setting the ceiling at four days. From the point of view of the halance between the legislative and judicial branches, Blass said, it is very prohlematic to have both bodies considering the same issue at the same time, and possi-bly reaching different conclusions.

Forthermore, he said, while Freedom, the petition argued. the army has not ruled out reduc-At a hearing yesterday, goving the period of arrest to 48 ernment attorney Michael Blass hours, it cannot do so in one blow. The change must be graduasked the court to reject the peti-, to give the army time to tion on the grounds that the Knesset is currently considering up its court system, retrain its press charges.

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THERE were many reasons to cry at the scene near Prime Minister's Office yesterday, and tear police, and make other necessary gas was just one of them. There was the blood spilled in

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changes. However, Justices Eliahu the clashes between the Ethiopi-Mazza, Ya'acov Kedmi and Ya'aan immigrants and police. The cov Terkel rejected these argublood which was not good ments, and issued the show-cause enough to accept for transfuorder. sions.

"The questions are important," Mazza said. "I don't understand why a soldier should be held in prison for 96 bours [four days] before the army even decides whether or not it will subject him to a disciplinary trial."

Furthermore, he said, a long period of arrest before seeing a judge can serve as "a gateway to arbitrariness."

For instance, he said, an officer could put a soldier in prison for several days without any evidence, just to punish him, and then release him on the grounds that the army has de

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Illness that goes deeper

what has transpired since. At, least we could have hoped for originality. Absorption Minister Yair Tzaban tried to calm the protesters hy assuring them it was not the Labor government, but the Likud, that set the policy of There was also the knowledge disposing of Ethopian immigrant that the publication last week of blood donations,

Magen David Adom's policy of The loud boos that followed destroying blood donations from came almost as a relief. The an-Ethiopians had only ignited longsmoldering resentments, Ethiogry protesters recognized cynical pronouncements; they have pian immigrants already felt like second-class citizens. The bloodheard enough of them.

"These people aren't supposed to act like this," many said. The bank issue only drove that feeling The general population looks 'quiet'' Ethiopians were acting upon Ethiopians as primitives. out of character. Their elders are depicted as un-

That was another sad lesson. The Ethiopians seem to have learned that the only way you get what you want is to shout and

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tion site to the parking lot at the main entrance to the fenced-off compound. Normally, police try to physically hold back the protesters, and if they fail, allow' them to move into the parking, lot, Yesterday morning, Jerusalem police chief Cmdr. Arye Amit ordered his men to use tear

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gas: Amit had expected a quiet demonstration of a few hundred. and brought forces to match, only to suddenly find himself with a demonstration of thonsands. Worried that the protesters. would climb the compound's fences while the cabinet was. meeting, he ordered tear gas when it otherwise would not have been used.

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Histadrut officials won't get 6% hike MICHAL YUDELMAN

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of the increment. However, the executive did not OIL Refineries CEO Dr. Nathan propose cutting the 33% raise due to be paid those senior Histadrut officials whose personal contracts link their wages to those of Knesset members, ministers and

Arad is to be replaced by OC Central Command Maj.-Gen. llan Biran, Energy Minister Gonen Segev has announced. The appointment has not yet

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been approved hy Finance Minister Avraham Shohat. However there is a "high probability" that Biran's nomination will go through, Oil Refineries deputy general manager Amos Shyari said yesterday.

Biran, 50, is to retire in April, and is expected to be replaced by OC Planning Branch Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan. However, sources said Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin Shahak has not yet settled the matter with Dayan.

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Now there are only excuses for Ethiopians petition court against MDA policy THE umbrella organization for Ethiopian immigrant associations yesterday petitioned the High Court of Justice against Magen blood types, the donation is fro-David Adom's policy of not using zen for six months, and then used

educated "natives" who have

nothing to offer Israeli society ex-

blood donations from Ethiopians. According to this policy, blood donations from Ethiopians are thrown away, unless the blood type is very rare, because the incidence of HIV is 50 times higher among Ethiopians than among the general population, and the

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Their children are treated little throw stones. better. Often they are segregated . To make matter worse, police mishandled the demonstration.

in their own classes, stunting Long forgotten are the spectacagainst the immigrants that they would have hesitated to use ular missions - Operation Moses against other Jewish protesters. and Operation Solomon - that brought them here and inspired At virtually ever major protest near the Prime Minister's Office. there is a rush by the protesters

the policemen, and there was little doubt policemen's lives were in danger. They responded with They were quick to use measures more tear gas, rubber bullets, and stun grenades.

But to simply look for who was responsible for the violence would be a grave mistake. The protest was only a symptom of an illness that goes much deeper.

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The petition noted that all of

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fore is not reasonable for MDA

to refuse to use the blood of these

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kibbutzim to take

action against

land sale plan

DAVID RUDGE

MEMBERS of four Jordan Val-

ley kibbutzim yesterday launched

a campaign against plans by Fi-

nance Minister Avraham Shohat

to sell some of their land as part

As a first step they intend to

stage a noisy demonstration at a

meeting of the United Kibbutz

Movement (UKM) on Thursday,

at which Shohat is due to appear.

cil head Ze'ev Shore, who is sup-

porting the campaign, said the

matter is also likely to play a role

Nearly 30.000 members of

as members of the Labor Party

and this could be used as a tool in

the fight to prevent selling off the

The kibburzim in question are

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Jordan Valley Regional Coun-

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ly Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the nine of spades, eight of bearts, seven of diamonds, and jack of clubs.

Na'amat says **IDF** treated soldiers like bar hostesses

MICHAL YUDELMAN

NA'AMAT, the Israel Women'a Network and MKs yesterday cen- . sured the IDF for ordering 50 female soldiers to visit a British aircraft carrier docked at Haifa Port.

Na'amat'a head Ofra Friedman and the Women's Network called on the chief of staff and chief women'a officer to investigate the matter and explain why the visit, which was defined as a study tour, was imposed on women soldiers only and was held at night. MK Avner Shaki (National Religious Party) has presented an urgent motion for the Knesset's agenda on the matter.

Last week, a group of 50 women soldiers serving as teachers were given an order to visit the aircraft carrier just as they were preparing to go home for the weekend.

The soldiers said they were told it was a study tour, but were stunned to discover that after a 10-minute tour they were expected to act as "barroom hostesses. We were put in a bar with dim lights and romantic music and were offered alcoholic drinks. The atmosphere was cheap. We wanted to throw up. For two hours we were expected to provide pleasant company for the [male] soldiers."

The women soldiers said they got up after 10 minutes and left the ship, at about 10 p.m.

The IDF spokesman said the women soldiers were accompanied on the tour by a female officer with the rank of major. After the tour they were bosted in the ship's club and served light drinks and punch. They were offered to take part in a party on the aircraft carrier that night, but they refused and left.

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